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1	PROCEEDINGS
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- 2 CHAIRPERSON MEDINA: Good morning. This meeting
- 3 is called to order. This is a meeting of the Budget and
- 4 Administration Committee. Today is Wednesday, October the
- 5 9th.
- 6 Call the roll please.
- 7 SECRETARY HARRIS: Moulton-Patterson?
- 8 COMMITTEE MEMBER MOULTON-PATTERSON: Here.
- 9 SECRETARY HARRIS: Paparian?
- 10 COMMITTEE MEMBER PAPARIAN: Here.
- 11 SECRETARY HARRIS: Medina?
- 12 CHAIRPERSON MEDINA: Here.
- We do have a quorum.
- I have an announcement to read.
- We're in the process of conducting a safety
- 16 preparedness drill that will include evacuating this room.
- 17 This drill may occurring during this meeting in order to
- 18 prepare us for unexpected emergencies. We do not know
- 19 when the alarm will sound.
- 20 If the alarm sounds, evacuate immediately. Take
- 21 all valuables. Do not use the elevators.
- 22 Please note your emergency exits now. There are
- 23 three of them -- 1, 2, 3.
- 24 If you have mobility concerns that would prevent
- 25 you from using the stairways, please let me know so that

- 1 arrangement can be made to have you wait safely in a
- 2 protected area. You will be directed to a safe stairwell
- 3 vestibule. And an aid will stay with you until we have
- 4 heard the "all clear" announcement.
- 5 Follow your meeting host down the stairways to
- 6 the relocation site either five floors down or at Cesar
- 7 Chavez Park located across the street.
- 8 If you must leave the building, obey all traffic
- 9 signals and be cautious when crossing the street.
- 10 Stay at the relocation area until the "all clear"
- 11 signal and the completion of the drill is given.
- 12 The completion of the drill will be announced by
- 13 the public address system. If you did not hear the
- 14 announcement, simply stay with and follow the lead of your
- 15 meeting host.
- 16 Thank you for cooperating with our safety
- 17 program.
- 18 With that, we'll move on to the -- are there any
- 19 ex partes?
- 20 COMMITTEE MEMBER MOULTON-PATTERSON: I have none.
- 21 Excuse me. I did attend the RCRC meeting. And
- 22 there were a number of members of rural counties and
- 23 elected officials spoke to mainly on a social basis. We
- 24 didn't speak on issues. I gave a brief presentation and
- 25 presented some awards to the cities that made their

- 1 jurisdictions. I think that will suffice.
- 2 CHAIRPERSON MEDINA: Thank you.
- 3 Board Member Paparian.
- 4 COMMITTEE MEMBER PAPARIAN: No, I'm up to date.
- 5 CHAIRPERSON MEDINA: And I am up to date.
- 6 With that, we'll move on to the Deputy Director's
- 7 report, which will be given by Terry Jordan.
- 8 DEPUTY DIRECTOR JORDAN: Good morning, Chair
- 9 Medina, Members of the Committee.
- 10 I'd like to report a little bit on the budget
- 11 this morning. I don't have a lot for you, as the
- 12 administration division is in the throes of developing the
- 13 Budget Year 2003-4 budget authority, and that is a
- 14 confidential exercise. So I don't have anything specific
- 15 to report.
- 16 However, staff and I will be meeting with each of
- 17 you individually in the next two weeks to brief you on the
- 18 closure of Fiscal Year 2001-2, the structure of this
- 19 fiscal year's budget, and some of the development aspects
- 20 for authority in the budget year.
- 21 I'd also like to advise you about the Governor's
- 22 Executive Order DE 63-02, which is considered the Golden
- 23 Handshake. It has been signed for retirement benefits.
- 24 And it was just released last Friday. The program is
- 25 intended to provide additional service credit of two years

1 to long-serving state employees who meet specified

- 2 requirements.
- 3 The Executive Order, as required by the amended
- 4 2002 Budget Act, institutes a voluntary early retirement
- 5 program for eligible employees provided that the state
- 6 agency the employee works for can identify overall savings
- 7 by participating in the program. The retirement service
- 8 credit will be voluntary for departments and for
- 9 employees.
- 10 The program will be effective only for a 60-day
- 11 window period from December 3rd, 2002, through February
- 12 1st, 2003. Each agency will be required to develop a
- 13 program participation plan to identify the job classes and
- 14 organizational units that will be eligible to participate.
- 15 Agencies will also be responsible for identifying
- 16 anticipated costs and savings from the program, as well as
- 17 any other information required by our control agencies.
- 18 We're awaiting the formal instructions. However, there
- 19 will be a fiscal implication with regards to participating
- 20 in this program. All agencies are taking a very hard look
- 21 at this because of not only the costs, but the potential
- 22 for the loss of the positions. So, therefore, it is
- 23 voluntary and everyone is taking a good look at it.
- 24 Also, as --
- 25 COMMITTEE MEMBER MOULTON-PATTERSON: I have a

- 1 question, Mr. Medina.
- 2 Just so I understand this. So conceivably like
- 3 some members of CalEPA could take it -- could offer it and
- 4 others would not, say, if we chose not too; is that
- 5 correct? It's not per agency, or is it?
- 6 DEPUTY DIRECTOR JORDAN: It's not per agency.
- 7 It's per department and board. However, I do know that
- 8 agency and BDOs are talking about it because of the fiscal
- 9 implications involved.
- 10 COMMITTEE MEMBER MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay. Thank
- 11 you.
- 12 Thank you, Mr. Chairman.
- 13 CHAIRPERSON MEDINA: Board Member Paparian.
- 14 COMMITTEE MEMBER PAPARIAN: Thank you.
- 15 Another follow-up question. You said that we're
- 16 supposed to identify potential salaries, potential
- 17 savings?
- 18 DEPUTY DIRECTOR JORDAN: Potential savings both
- 19 in salaries that would be saved by the individuals not
- 20 being in the positions and their OE&E costs, including
- 21 the -- because of the hiring freeze we have to leave it
- 22 vacant and the potential for sweeping of the positions.
- 23 COMMITTEE MEMBER PAPARIAN: Okay. I guess that
- 24 partially answered it.
- 25 Could savings include the potential that a person

1 filling in behind them might be making a lower salary, or

- 2 are you just supposed to be looking at savings from not
- 3 having the position?
- 4 DEPUTY DIRECTOR JORDAN: Just the specific
- 5 position.
- 6 COMMITTEE MEMBER PAPARIAN: Okay. Thank you.
- 7 DEPUTY DIRECTOR JORDAN: As you may recall, I
- 8 reported to you in August that the Governor issued
- 9 Executive Order D 55-02 on May 20th that established a
- 10 task force on contracting and procurement review. The
- 11 primary objective for the task force was to research,
- 12 investigate, and report in 90 days findings and
- 13 recommendations for proposed improvements to the state's
- 14 contracting processes.
- 15 We have received the report, and it was
- 16 distributed to your offices yesterday, and to executive
- 17 staff.
- 18 It has approximately 20-plus recommendations,
- 19 including quality assurance. And it looks very promising;
- 20 however, it's going to take more time, six months out.
- 21 And it's going to be evaluated both in six months and one
- 22 year with regards to how it's working and what other
- 23 aspects could be undertaken.
- With regards to today's agenda, the continuation
- 25 of oil fund allocation item is up first, and as for both

- 1 contracts and grants.
- 2 There are two grant award items. There is one
- 3 recycling market development revolving loan program
- 4 application. There's a consideration of report to the
- 5 legislature.
- 6 And there are three presentations, one with
- 7 regards to a redesigned database with four grants. We
- 8 call it the grants management system or GMS. And that
- 9 captures all grants program data.
- 10 And an update on the Integrated Waste Management
- 11 board's waste reduction activities in the CalEPA.
- 12 And an overview of the office of organizational
- 13 effectiveness.
- 14 And with that, Kristin Yee will be presenting
- 15 Item B.
- 16 CHAIRPERSON MEDINA: Thank you for your report,
- 17 Ms. Jordan.
- 18 And before we move on, I suggest two
- 19 announcements. Please turn all cell phones and pagers.
- 20 And for those persons wishing to speak, speaker
- 21 slips are at the back of the room. And please give them
- 22 to Jennine Harris.
- Thank you.
- MS. WILLD-WAGNER: Good morning, Chair Medina,
- 25 Committee Members. I'll introduce this item. I'm Shirley

- 1 Willd-Wagner with the Special Waste Division.
- 2 And the consideration of the oil fund allocations
- 3 item has been heard by the Special Waste and Market
- 4 Development Committee this month and also last month.
- 5 We'll give you a little update on the actions of that
- 6 Committee and the recommendations.
- 7 Then we'll reflect to today's recommendations and
- 8 come to the full Board next weak.
- 9 The item itself has extensive information on the
- 10 background of the fund, the allocations that are listed in
- 11 statute and our statutory authority, both in contracts and
- 12 in grants. We can either go through those, if you'd like,
- 13 or it's all pretty clear in the item. So we'll take your
- 14 direction on whether you'd like to spend time learning
- 15 them, hearing the background of the fund, or move straight
- 16 to the contract concept allocation, which is primarily
- 17 what we need input on today from the Committee.
- 18 I'll introduce Kristin Yee then at this time to
- 19 make the presentation.
- 20 MS. YEE: Good morning, Chairperson Medina,
- 21 Committee Members.
- 22 What's the pleasure of the Committee? Would like
- 23 me to go through the background or just straight to
- 24 Attachment 4, which are contract concepts?
- 25 CHAIRPERSON MEDINA: Board members, would you

1 like hear the background or just go straight to the

- 2 concepts?
- 3 COMMITTEE MEMBER PAPARIAN: Go into the concepts.
- 4 COMMITTEE MEMBER MOULTON-PATTERSON: That's fine
- 5 with me.
- 6 CHAIRPERSON MEDINA: Let's move on to the
- 7 concepts.
- 8 MS. YEE: Okay. Then what you have before you is
- 9 a color-coded chart, which is Attachment 4. And that
- 10 outlines the result of the Special Waste Committee. And
- 11 it includes that.
- 12 And I'll just start from the top and give you a
- 13 little bit of the background. What you have on the very
- 14 top line is a \$2.62 million, which is the outreach
- 15 activities. And that's the one where we moved your
- 16 recommendation on.
- And then the next line we have \$41,000. And that
- 18 is basically the student assistance. And that leaves nine
- 19 hundred eleven -- oh, I'm sorry. And then the next line
- 20 is the proposed allocation, which is Table 1 for \$911,000
- 21 which are the invoice item that you see on Table 1. Would
- 22 like me to go through the details of that table or just go
- 23 straight into contract concept?
- 24 CHAIRPERSON MEDINA: Just please go straight into
- 25 contract concept.

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1 MS. YEE: So that leaves a balance of $1.668
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- 2 million for you to give us directions on.
- 3 The first contract concept is Concept Number 31,
- 4 which is the Coastal Commission. And that is with
- 5 \$198,000. And that is basically the dock walkers. And
- 6 they also do outreach.
- 7 The next contract concept is number 32, the used
- 8 oil forum. And that is a Board sponsor. And it is used
- 9 oil forum that we put on. And this is a statewide
- 10 conference for all grantees, recycling and oil industry
- 11 personnel.
- 12 The next contract concept is Number 33, social
- 13 marketing pilot. Consultant will be conducting a social
- 14 marketing pilot to promote used oil recycling through
- 15 local jurisdictions to help us identify the barriers and
- 16 benefits of oil recycling.
- 17 Contract Concept Number 34 is the re-refined oil.
- 18 And this is to conduct an outreach program to encourage
- 19 the and procurement of re-refined oil in the pilot project
- 20 to determine barriers to distribution and procurement.
- 21 The next contract concept is Number 35, and
- 22 that's a stormwater guide. Local jurisdictions are
- 23 currently seeking to purchase storm drain filters to
- 24 prevent oil from entering the storm drains. But there are
- 25 unfamiliar different technologies available. So this

1 contract will actually identify the available technologies

- 2 and their efficacy to local jurisdictions.
- 3 Contract Concept Number 83, grant writing
- 4 workshops. And this is color coded pink because it was
- 5 approved back in May 2002 Board meeting. And it's been
- 6 determined that many of the grant applications that come
- 7 in don't pass because of the poor grant writing
- 8 techniques. So, consequently, GAU will be hiring a
- 9 contractor through CSU Sacramento to organize and to
- 10 provide workshops on grant writing techniques.
- 11 Contract Concept Number 41 is training for fleet
- 12 manager. And this and the other items highlighted in
- 13 yellow are things that were proposed at the Special Waste
- 14 Committee on September 4th, 2002. Training for fleet
- 15 managers would provide funding to provide outreach
- 16 programs, training, and resource materials to use
- 17 re-refined motor oil to state and private fleet managers.
- 18 Contract Concept Number 40 is the evaluation of
- 19 advertisement campaign. And this concept is to evaluate
- 20 the difference between the different media of
- 21 advertisement and determine which is the most effective.
- 22 And whichever we decide is the most effective, we just
- 23 want to make sure that it also meshes with the
- 24 communication strategy plan that the Office of Public
- 25 Affairs is putting together.

1 Contract Concept Number 36. I'm going to skip

- 2 over that one because it has several options. And I
- 3 believe we have speakers for that item.
- 4 So I'll move on to Concept Number 37, which is
- 5 the waste characterization. And this is put forth by the
- 6 Division of Planning and Local Assistance to work with a
- 7 contractor to do a statewide characterization of disposal
- 8 of our waste stream, including used oil containers and
- 9 filters.
- 10 Concept Number 39, sustainability project. This
- 11 is the motion picture and entertainment industry
- 12 sustainability project, UCLA. And that is to put together
- 13 key players in the entertainment field to green their
- 14 industry.
- 15 Contract Concept Number 38, video game
- 16 development feasibility analysis. This contract concept
- 17 is to provide seed money to determine the feasibility to
- 18 develop a video game about recycling used oil and other
- 19 materials.
- 20 Concept number 42 is a buy-recycled certification
- 21 audit. The state Controller's Office would audit the
- 22 state agencies that has fleets to verify their level of
- 23 use of re-refined oil which are reported on their SABRC
- 24 reports. Addition of the audit would determine the use
- 25 level of the re-refined oil by state agencies.

- 1 And lastly we have, back to Contract Concept
- 2 Number 36, is the used oil advertisement. And this one,
- 3 the Office of Public Affairs presented several options to
- 4 advertise recycling used oil and oil filters through
- 5 various media.
- 6 The five options are:
- 7 Option Number 1 is the radio advertisement
- 8 through KFI AM in Los Angeles and KFBK AM in Sacramento
- 9 for about \$100,080.
- 10 The second option is the TV sponsorship with
- 11 Eco-Talk on CBS Evening Magazine in the Bay Area for
- 12 \$107,000?
- 13 The third option is the pump-top signage. And
- 14 that's where the recycle used oil message would on the gas
- 15 station pump posters. That's for \$93,300.
- The fourth option is the magazine advertisement
- 17 with Southwest Magazine, The Spirit, for \$100,000.
- 18 And the fifth option is the California Heartland
- 19 TV sponsorship on public television in Sacramento for
- 20 \$100,000.
- 21 And as you can see, most of them are around a
- 22 hundred thousand. So the total dollar amount for this was
- 23 originally \$100,000 to \$200,000.
- 24 And staff and Public Affairs recommend Option
- 25 Number 1, which is the radio advertising.

1 Waste Prevention and Market Development Division

- 2 recommended Option Number 1 and 5, which is the radio
- 3 advertisement as well as Heartland.
- 4 And then during the Special Waste Committee the
- 5 dollar amount was increased to \$400,000. And the
- 6 direction that was given was that whatever we choose, that
- 7 it just lines up with the Public Affairs comprehensive
- 8 communication plan.
- 9 What you have now is the opportunity to select
- 10 either all five of the options not to exceed \$400,000, or
- 11 you can change the dollar amount, or you can choose none
- 12 of the options and wait until the communications strategy
- 13 is completed.
- 14 I'd also like to mention that each of these
- 15 options do require sole-source agreement, which at this
- 16 time may be difficult to justify.
- 17 Additionally, if you are interested in choosing
- 18 Option Number 5, which is the Heartland, there is a timing
- 19 issue. The season for Heartland runs from October through
- 20 September, so Heartland is time sensitive.
- 21 And I'd like to present a short list of pros and
- 22 cons for Heartland, which may assist you in making your
- 23 decision.
- 24 The pros for Heartland is:
- 25 1) It's a wide market range and visibility,

1 including prime-time audience in urban and rural markets;

- 2 2) It's a broad-bases message regarding used
- 3 oil, tires, and waste prevention issues; and
- 4 3) It repeats broadcasts for a long period of
- 5 time that significantly increase our dollar value;
- 6 4) It's an independent third-party endorsement
- 7 for CIWMB messages.
- 8 The cons for supporting Heartland: It has the
- 9 wrong demographic in audience; it tends to draw men and
- 10 women over 50; and do-it-yourselfers are between the ages
- 11 of 18 to 49.
- 12 2) There's no editorial control. We can't fine
- 13 tune the adds on a daily, weekly, or monthly basis. And
- 14 we can't design the focus of content of our message.
- 15 3) There's no connection between ID and story.
- 16 So no one really knows if the story was generated or
- 17 connected to CIWMB other than our logo.
- 18 4) There's less than 50 hits each month on our
- 19 Board link to the Internet.
- 20 And this pretty much completes the contract
- 21 concepts and this agenda item.
- 22 And as a reminder, I just wanted to let you know
- 23 that any funds that are not used this fiscal year will be
- 24 carried over or it could be funded later on this year. So
- 25 we don't lose the funds because it is continuously

- 1 appropriated.
- 2 And staff would like to recommend that the Board
- 3 approve the allocation item outlined in Table 1 and adopt
- 4 Resolution 002-469, and request that the Committee provide
- 5 some direction as to which contract concepts proposed are
- 6 recommended and the funding available or which other
- 7 contract concept you would like to add.
- 8 CHAIRPERSON MEDINA: Thank you, Ms. Yee. And the
- 9 display that you had up here, do you have that available
- 10 in a handout --
- MS. YEE: Yes, I --
- 12 CHAIRPERSON MEDINA: -- those various options?
- 13 MS. YEE: Not as a handout. But it is in your
- 14 Agenda Item. It's Item Number 36.
- 15 CHAIRPERSON MEDINA: So this is one of the pages
- 16 that we have, the various options for the \$400,000?
- MS. YEE: Yes.
- 18 MS. WILLD-WAGNER: Okay. This is the one that up
- 19 here now, I guess, on the five options for public
- 20 education.
- MS. YEE: It's on your screen.
- MS. WILLD-WAGNER: It's on your screen now.
- 23 CHAIRPERSON MEDINA: You don't have a handout for
- 24 that one?
- MS. YEE: Just on the contract concept itself.

1 CHAIRPERSON MEDINA: Yes, if you would just leave

- 2 that up on the screen for display.
- 3 MS. WILLD-WAGNER: Sure. And would you like to
- 4 hear what the Special Waste Committee recommended on any
- 5 of these, or are you ready just to discuss each one of
- 6 these?
- 7 COMMITTEE MEMBER PAPARIAN: Yes, Mr. Chairman.
- 8 CHAIRPERSON MEDINA: Yes, Board Member Paparian.
- 9 COMMITTEE MEMBER PAPARIAN: Yeah, I think it
- 10 would be appropriate to hear it because I think there were
- 11 some nuances on this last item, the one that's up on the
- 12 screen, that we --
- 13 CHAIRPERSON MEDINA: Before we do so, what I'd
- 14 like to do is I'd like to proceed on these. I just would
- 15 like to go down the contract concepts. And those that
- 16 we're all in agreement with, just move those out of the
- 17 way. And then that will allow us to go to the others in
- 18 terms of what priorities we have there.
- 19 Board Member Patterson.
- 20 COMMITTEE MEMBER MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you,
- 21 Mr. Medina.
- I certainly would like to move very enthusiastic
- 23 support of the Dock Walkers Coastal Commission allocation
- 24 at the full amount, \$198,000. I think they do a great job
- 25 and I think that's money well spent.

- 1 CHAIRPERSON MEDINA: I will go down each one.
- 2 And then the ones that get three check marks, we'll take
- 3 those off. And then we'll move on to the other ones.
- 4 Board Member Paparian, do you support that one?
- 5 COMMITTEE MEMBER PAPARIAN: Yes.
- 6 CHAIRPERSON MEDINA: And that's an aye for me as
- 7 well.
- 8 So the \$198,000 for Coastal Commission, that's
- 9 approved.
- 10 The next item is the Contract Concept 32, the
- 11 used oil forum for \$65,000.
- 12 Board Member Patterson.
- 13 COMMITTEE MEMBER PAPARIAN: Let me take a look at
- 14 it. Why don't you go to Member Paparian first.
- 15 CHAIRPERSON MEDINA: Board Member Paparian.
- 16 COMMITTEE MEMBER PAPARIAN: I'm fine with it.
- 17 COMMITTEE MEMBER MOULTON-PATTERSON: I think that
- 18 I'm fine with this. I just want to look at one thing.
- 19 Yes, I'd be in favor of that.
- 20 CHAIRPERSON MEDINA: Very good. And I also
- 21 support that. So that's done.
- 22 The next one is Contract Concept 33, the social
- 23 marketing pilot for 120. And again that was recommended
- 24 by the Special Waste committee.
- 25 Any questions, any discussions on that particular

- 1 item?
- 2 If not, what is your preference on that, board
- 3 Member Patterson?
- 4 COMMITTEE MEMBER MOULTON-PATTERSON: Yes, I'm for
- 5 it.
- 6 CHAIRPERSON MEDINA: Okay. Board Member
- 7 Paparian.
- 8 COMMITTEE MEMBER PAPARIAN: I'm fine with that
- 9 one.
- 10 CHAIRPERSON MEDINA: So am I. So that's done.
- 11 Move on to the Contract Concept 34, the special
- 12 waste re-refined oil outreach for 150.
- Board Member Patterson.
- 14 COMMITTEE MEMBER MOULTON-PATTERSON: Aye.
- 15 CHAIRPERSON MEDINA: Paparian.
- 16 COMMITTEE MEMBER PAPARIAN: I'm okay with that.
- 17 CHAIRPERSON MEDINA: Okay. That's three on that
- 18 one.
- 19 With that, we'll move on to the Contract Concept
- 20 35, special waste stormwater, recommended for \$75,000 by
- 21 the Special Waste Committee.
- 22 Board member Patterson.
- 23 COMMITTEE MEMBER MOULTON-PATTERSON: Yes, I'm in
- 24 favor.
- 25 CHAIRPERSON MEDINA: Board Member Paparian.

- 1 COMMITTEE MEMBER PAPARIAN: Me too.
- 2 CHAIRPERSON MEDINA: Okay. I support that. So
- 3 that's done.
- 4 The Contract Concept Number 83, the grant writing
- 5 workshop for \$15,000.
- 6 Board Member Moulton-Patterson.
- 7 COMMITTEE MEMBER MOULTON-PATTERSON: I might have
- 8 a question on that. Give me just a moment.
- 9 CHAIRPERSON MEDINA: Certainly.
- 10 Board Member Paparian.
- 11 COMMITTEE MEMBER PAPARIAN: I'm fine with it.
- 12 CHAIRPERSON MEDINA: Okay. And I'm fine with
- 13 that as well.
- 14 COMMITTEE MEMBER MOULTON-PATTERSON: Yes, I'm
- 15 fine with that.
- 16 CHAIRPERSON MEDINA: Very good.
- Next one, Item 41, Special Waste Committee
- 18 training for fleet managers for \$80,000.
- 19 Board Member Moulton-Patterson.
- 20 COMMITTEE MEMBER MOULTON-PATTERSON: Aye.
- 21 CHAIRPERSON MEDINA: Board Member Paparian.
- 22 COMMITTEE MEMBER PAPARIAN: I'm fine with that
- 23 one.
- 24 CHAIRPERSON MEDINA: And I'm fine with that one
- 25 as well. That one is done.

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1 The Contract Concept 40, the Special Waste
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- 2 Committee evaluation of the advertisement campaign for
- 3 \$100,000, recommended by the Special Waste Committee.
- 4 Board member Moulton-Patterson.
- 5 COMMITTEE MEMBER MOULTON-PATTERSON: I'm fine
- 6 with that one.
- 7 CHAIRPERSON MEDINA: Board Member Paparian.
- 8 COMMITTEE MEMBER PAPARIAN: So am I.
- 9 CHAIRPERSON MEDINA: Okay. I'm fine on that one.
- 10 So that one is done.
- 11 And then we're going to skip the Contract Concept
- 12 Number 36. And we will return to that one for further
- 13 discussion.
- 14 We'll move on to Contract Concept Number 37, the
- 15 waste characterization study recommended for a total of
- 16 \$75,000 by the Special Waste Committee.
- 17 Board Member Moulton-Patterson.
- 18 COMMITTEE MEMBER MOULTON-PATTERSON: I'm in
- 19 favor.
- 20 CHAIRPERSON MEDINA: Board Member Paparian.
- 21 COMMITTEE MEMBER PAPARIAN: Me too.
- 22 CHAIRPERSON MEDINA: And I support that one.
- 23 And the next one is Contract Concept Number 39,
- 24 the motion picture and entertainment industry
- 25 sustainability project with UCLA. The Special Waste

- 1 Committee recommended that for \$100,000.
- Board Member Moulton-Patterson.
- 3 COMMITTEE MEMBER MOULTON-PATTERSON: I think
- 4 Special Waste, they recommended 25, they reduced it.
- 5 MS. WILLD-WAGNER: They had originally
- 6 recommended 25 because we had only had 25,000 requested.
- 7 Since the time -- that was back in September. Between
- 8 September and October the request was raised up to a
- 9 hundred thousand, and the Special Waste Committee
- 10 supported the 100,000. So that was just a change --
- 11 COMMITTEE MEMBER MOULTON-PATTERSON: You know,
- 12 I'd definitely like to speak in favor of that. I just was
- 13 looking at an old one, and I thought they had had some
- 14 questions. But I'm in support.
- 15 CHAIRPERSON MEDINA: Okay. Board Member
- 16 Paparian.
- 17 COMMITTEE MEMBER PAPARIAN: I'm fine with that.
- 18 CHAIRPERSON MEDINA: Okay. And I support that.
- 19 That's 3.
- 20 We come down to Contract Concept Number 38, the
- 21 video game development feasibility analysis. It was
- 22 either a no recommendation or not a positive
- 23 recommendation by the Special Waste Committee.
- MS. WILLD-WAGNER: That's correct. It was not
- 25 supported at this time fully by the Special Waste

1 Committee. They really would -- as we said, we won't be

- 2 losing this money. We could bring back another
- 3 reallocation. And there was some questions that need a
- 4 little bit of answering, and we'll work to answer those.
- 5 CHAIRPERSON MEDINA: Very good.
- 6 COMMITTEE MEMBER MOULTON-PATTERSON: I have a
- 7 question.
- 8 CHAIRPERSON MEDINA: Certainly.
- 9 COMMITTEE MEMBER MOULTON-PATTERSON: Who gave the
- 10 report on that to the special waste? Did they have a
- 11 report on it?
- MS. WILLD-WAGNER: Chris Peck described the
- 13 project.
- 14 COMMITTEE MEMBER MOULTON-PATTERSON: Could Chris
- 15 come forward? I mean would that be okay with you, Mr.
- 16 Chair? I'd like to have a little more explanation for --
- 17 COMMITTEE MEMBER PAPARIAN: Okay. And we also
- 18 had -- at the Committee meeting had representatives of the
- 19 company that were --
- 20 COMMITTEE MEMBER MOULTON-PATTERSON: Oh, they
- 21 were there.
- 22 COMMITTEE MEMBER PAPARIAN: Yeah.
- 23 COMMITTEE MEMBER MOULTON-PATTERSON: They should
- 24 come to Budget also.
- 25 MR. PECK: You would like to hear a little bit

- 1 more?
- 2 COMMITTEE MEMBER MOULTON-PATTERSON: Yes.
- 3 MR. PECK: The concept of the video game is to
- 4 produce a game that would play similar to -- if any of you
- 5 are familiar with the Sim City, which is essentially a
- 6 city building and design concept. The proponents are
- 7 proposing to develop a recycling based model that would
- 8 describe the process of recycling used oil and other
- 9 materials, go on to educate to children primarily and
- 10 adults about the kinds of things that could be made with
- 11 materials that have been recycled. And they are also --
- 12 this has been put forward as a contract concept for
- 13 funding from the used oil program. Program staff and
- 14 DPLA, who I've talked with Pat Schiavo about it. Pat and
- 15 I recently met with these folks. They have agreed to
- 16 provide some consulting too to make sure that what they're
- 17 saying about recycling is consistent with the Board's
- 18 philosophies and is technically accurate. So in a sense
- 19 we'd be providing staff support from the Integrated Waste
- 20 Management account to that as well.
- 21 COMMITTEE MEMBER MOULTON-PATTERSON: Well, I
- 22 would certainly be in favor of the concept. I would like
- 23 to know, you know, a little bit more about it.
- Mr. Paparian, you were at Special Waste. And
- 25 what was your feelings on -- did you think it was

1 premature? Or would you give a sense of the people that

- 2 would be doing this. They were at special waste; is that
- 3 correct.
- 4 COMMITTEE MEMBER PAPARIAN: They were there. I
- 5 think Mr. Cannella raised the most concern about it. And
- 6 the nature of his concern was the -- essentially the
- 7 expenditure of this money to do -- for a company to do a
- 8 feasibility study where they would ultimately, if they
- 9 were successful, make money off of the item. I think we
- 10 had some assurances from the company that they weren't
- 11 going to be making much money, that they were going to be
- 12 selling this thing at a very low cost. But I think it was
- 13 the nature of the investment essentially from the Waste
- 14 Board that caused Mr. Cannella to raise concerns. And I
- 15 think the rest of us felt like we weren't at a high enough
- 16 comfort level with the item that we wanted to push it.
- But I think that there is probably going to be
- 18 more information forthcoming about the item and about the
- 19 nature of the type of money we would be spending.
- 20 CHAIRPERSON MEDINA: Who would own the product?
- 21 MR. PECK: It would -- there's not been any
- 22 discussion about the Board owning the product. I had a
- 23 follow-up conversation, was actually with the principal --
- 24 who was not able to be at the Committee meeting on
- 25 Monday -- after the Committee meeting. And he reassured

- 1 me that they're approaching this from an educational
- 2 perspective. And in his mind this is a not-for-profit
- 3 venture. They haven't incorporated as a not-for-profit.
- 4 But they also have made a commitment, at least verbally to
- 5 us, that they would make the material -- if it does become
- 6 a feasible project and move to development, that they
- 7 would make a commitment to making those materials
- 8 available at cost, at the most, I think to California
- 9 schools at least for a limited period of time. So if
- 10 there were questions about whether the Board was getting
- 11 something for its investments in the feasibility study, we
- 12 would be essentially purchasing -- you know, buying down
- 13 the cost of the product to California schools and in the
- 14 longer term.
- 15 But the Committee asked us to come back with some
- 16 additional information. So there would be some more
- 17 discussions I think between Mr. Cannella's office and the
- 18 proponents to make sure that they're responding to the
- 19 concerns that he raised, and we can bring this back as a
- 20 reallocation item.
- 21 CHAIRPERSON MEDINA: Thank you.
- 22 Board Member Moulton-Patterson.
- 23 COMMITTEE MEMBER MOULTON-PATTERSON: I just
- 24 wanted to know, are you working with our Office on
- 25 Environmental Education on this?

1 MR. PECK: I have not spoken to Trish about this

- 2 yet. I've been talking to the proponents about the
- 3 importance of the integrated education approach and the SB
- 4 373, advised them to look at that and to think to about
- 5 perhaps this as an initial building block and a multimedia
- 6 approach to environmental issues.
- 7 COMMITTEE MEMBER MOULTON-PATTERSON: Well, I'd be
- 8 very much in favor of it once we get some of these
- 9 questions answered.
- 10 CHAIRPERSON MEDINA: And I think that at this
- 11 particular time, given that there's no recommendation by
- 12 the Special Waste Committee and we will have money left
- 13 over after we go through the process today, that we can
- 14 always come back.
- MS. WILLD-WAGNER: We can bring it back at a
- 16 later time.
- 17 CHAIRPERSON MEDINA: Is that fine with you, Board
- 18 Member Paparian?
- 19 COMMITTEE MEMBER MOULTON-PATTERSON: Yes, it is.
- 20 COMMITTEE MEMBER PAPARIAN: Yes.
- 21 CHAIRPERSON MEDINA: Okay. Contract concept
- 22 Number 42, the buy-recycled certification audits,
- 23 recommended for \$50,000.
- 24 Board Member Moulton-Patterson.
- 25 COMMITTEE MEMBER MOULTON-PATTERSON: Now, that

- 1 was recommended by Special Waste also?
- 2 DEPUTY DIRECTOR JORDAN: Yes.
- 3 MS. YEE: Yes.
- 4 COMMITTEE MEMBER MOULTON-PATTERSON: Yeah, I have
- 5 no problem.
- 6 CHAIRPERSON MEDINA: Board Member Paparian.
- 7 COMMITTEE MEMBER PAPARIAN: I'm fine.
- 8 CHAIRPERSON MEDINA: And I'm fine with that.
- 9 That's done.
- 10 That leaves one. And, that is, the one that has
- 11 to do with Contract Concept Number 36, the advertisement
- 12 campaign. And that was recommended for \$400,000 by the
- 13 Special Waste Committee.
- 14 So I'll open that up for discussion.
- 15 And is there any way to enlarge that for those
- 16 who are visually challenged or can't see that particular
- 17 size print?
- 18 Board Member Patterson, any questions?
- 19 COMMITTEE MEMBER MOULTON-PATTERSON: Yes. I just
- 20 was wondering from our Office of Public Affairs, when are
- 21 we expecting to have the full Public Affairs strategy
- 22 ready so we can see how all this fits in?
- 23 ASSISTANT DIRECTOR SIMPSON: Good morning, Mr.
- 24 Chair and Committee Members. Frank Simpson with the
- 25 Office of Public Affairs.

1 We're very, very close, very close. I would say

- 2 just within a few days. We had initially started working
- 3 on our communication strategy and moved it up by several
- 4 months. So we've been under the gun to get it done. But
- 5 we're very, very close.
- 6 I think what you'll find, having interviewed each
- 7 of you individually, looking for commonalities, the
- 8 communication strategy is really going to be a very
- 9 comprehensive package of advertising and will include many
- 10 different things. But what we're trying to do is connect
- 11 all the pieces in all the divisions and all the markets
- 12 and put them all together in a cohesive message, with a
- 13 new brand for the Board so we can move forward into the
- 14 next generation and have an identity that we can take
- 15 forward with us.
- 16 So to more directly answer your question, I would
- 17 say, give us another week please.
- 18 CHAIRPERSON MEDINA: Are there any of the options
- 19 here that need immediate action for whatever reasons, that
- 20 have to do with the timing? Time is of the essence, I
- 21 think.
- 22 ASSISTANT DIRECTOR SIMPSON: The only one that
- 23 really would pose a problem would be Heartland. That's
- 24 because of the way their schedule works out. The season
- 25 kind of overlaps. And they would be the only ones that

1 may be in a position to be worried about the issuance of a

- 2 contract. But I would suggest to the Committee that --
- 3 that being at risk, that I would hope that you could hold
- 4 off on that one as well until the strategy is released,
- 5 because I really would like you to take a good look at the
- 6 communication plan and see what's been done.
- 7 CHAIRPERSON MEDINA: We do have a speaker in
- 8 regard to California Heartland. That's Ms. Tilmon.
- 9 Is Ms. Tilmon in the room?
- 10 Could you come up please.
- 11 COMMITTEE MEMBER PAPARIAN: Mr. Chairman, just to
- 12 be clear what the Special Waste Committee did on this
- 13 item.
- 14 We separated this item at the request of one of
- 15 the members. And there was a vote on this item. It was a
- 16 3 to 1 in favor of moving forward with it. But I think
- 17 that the concern about the timing aspect really led --
- 18 well, I can just speak for myself as one of those three --
- 19 that led me to think it was appropriate to go forward at
- 20 this point.
- 21 Although I did caution the Heartland folks and
- 22 everybody else there that next year when we have better
- 23 information about who our target audiences are and how we
- 24 want to reach them, we may be looking at the Heartland
- 25 sponsorship a whole lot differently, depending on whether

1 our audiences and the types of ways we want to reach our

- 2 audiences are consistent with what Heartland does.
- 3 But, again, what we did was we voted 3 to 1 in
- 4 favor of the \$100,000 for this year.
- 5 COMMITTEE MEMBER MOULTON-PATTERSON: May I ask a
- 6 question, Mr. Chairman?
- 7 CHAIRPERSON MEDINA: Certainly.
- 8 COMMITTEE MEMBER MOULTON-PATTERSON: Mr.
- 9 Paparian, so your vote was 3 to 1 on the California
- 10 Heartland, to go ahead with it this year; is that correct?
- 11 COMMITTEE MEMBER PAPARIAN: That's right.
- 12 COMMITTEE MEMBER MOULTON-PATTERSON: And on these
- 13 others, did you vote on it? I mean --
- 14 MS. YEE: What happened was \$100,000 to put aside
- 15 for Heartland to go forward. And the other \$300,000 was
- 16 put there as a contingency based upon the outcome of the
- 17 communication strategy plan.
- 18 COMMITTEE MEMBER MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay. Thank
- 19 you. Yeah, that made it really clear to me.
- Okay. Thank you.
- 21 CHAIRPERSON MEDINA: Ms. Tilmon.
- 22 MS. TILMON: Good afternoon, Chairman Medina and
- 23 Members. Thank you very much for the opportunity to be
- 24 here today to speak with you about California Heartland.
- 25 We did provide you with a written proposal. And

1 we provided you 10 copies, 2-sided, as we're supposed to.

- 2 I'm Jan Tilmon, Vice President for Content at
- 3 KVIE.
- 4 KVIE pays a King's ransom to Neilsen media. They
- 5 are the ratings analysis firm for all broadcasters,
- 6 whether they're commercial or public. And after hearing
- 7 the discussion on Monday about the demographics reached by
- 8 California Heartland, we went back and took a look at the
- 9 two most recent Neilsen Sweeps books.
- 10 And the data provided by Neilsen is that for the
- 11 weekday broadcast of California Heartland 21 percent of
- 12 the demographic reached is the 18 to 49-year-old audience.
- 13 And on the weekend broadcast for California Heartland the
- 14 18 to 49-year-old audience is made up of 27 percent of the
- 15 audience.
- 16 So we are in fact with California Heartland
- 17 reaching the demographic that has been stated as your
- 18 target. Given the fact that we have an average weekly
- 19 audience of 850,000 viewers statewide, that's a very
- 20 significant reach indeed.
- 21 In addition to that, I think what really makes
- 22 this special in terms of its relationship to the
- 23 California Integrated Waste Management Board and its
- 24 objectives is the quality of that audience. These are
- 25 folks who are activists. They're engaged citizens. They

1 do recycle. They participate in environmental activities

- 2 far more frequently than the average population. They're
- 3 more involved in their community, and they share their
- 4 beliefs freely.
- 5 These are a couple of statistics that were
- 6 gathered from Media Mark Research. The public television
- 7 audience is 23 percent more likely to recycle; 63 percent
- 8 more likely than the general population to talk to others
- 9 about recycling. They are 49 percent more likely to
- 10 participate in an environmental group or campaign and 203
- 11 percent more likely to be environmentally minded.
- 12 So that seems to be reaching out and making a
- 13 connection with the folks that you want to talk to.
- 14 I also wanted to address the connection between
- 15 the identification of the California Integrated Waste
- 16 Management Board and the programs itself. As you know,
- 17 your logo is presented at the beginning and the end of
- 18 each one of the California Heartland programs, along with
- 19 your web site address. And that of course we can
- 20 restructure in any way that you would like, any time that
- 21 you'd like. And we have done that actually a couple of
- 22 times.
- 23 But the reality is, that story telling is one of
- 24 the most powerful forms of communication. And in the more
- 25 than three dozen stories that we have done over the time

1 that we have had the relationship with you, those stories

- 2 tell people what and how and why. And that is a very,
- 3 very powerful form of communication. We've had a great
- 4 partnership with the staff here, and they have been able
- 5 to lead us to the kinds of stories that make the most
- 6 significant difference to viewers.
- 7 One of the benefits that wasn't mentioned, and
- 8 I'd really like to mention it, is that after we produce
- 9 these programs -- and, yes, we do have editorial control.
- 10 We work with staff, we get recommendation, we get access,
- 11 we go out and do the stories and we broadcast them. After
- 12 we do that, we make these stories available to the staff.
- 13 And they have been very innovative and very creative in
- 14 the way that they have used them -- they're used for.
- 15 Other staff members, for conferences, for other
- 16 communication vehicles. And of course they're used in
- 17 schools. We have a relationship that allows those stories
- 18 to be segregated and then used in the classroom.
- 19 So it is -- in addition to the broadcast
- 20 exposure, getting the general audiences, we make this
- 21 material available so that you can use it for targeted
- 22 audiences. And I hope that you see that as a benefit.
- 23 We're actually very impressed. This staff group does a
- 24 better job of using that material than any of our other
- 25 sponsors do, quite frankly.

1 And that's all I'll say. I'd be happy to answer

- 2 any questions that you do have.
- 3 CHAIRPERSON MEDINA: Wonderful. Thank you, Ms.
- 4 Tilmon.
- 5 Board members, any questions?
- 6 COMMITTEE MEMBER MOULTON-PATTERSON: Not any
- 7 questions. I'd just to say, you know, certainly, as Mr.
- 8 Paparian said, I think we need to revisit every year. But
- 9 from what I've seen at the California Heartland, my visits
- 10 to the studio, watching the programs, and seeing what
- 11 they've done in the way of used oil, I certainly would be
- 12 in favor of this \$100,000.
- 13 CHAIRPERSON MEDINA: Okay. Thank you.
- 14 And that's my inclination as well. I watched the
- 15 program on many occasions, have enjoyed it.
- 16 And Board Member Paparian.
- 17 COMMITTEE MEMBER PAPARIAN: Yes.
- 18 CHAIRPERSON MEDINA: Okay. On that particular
- 19 option then it's a yes.
- 20 In regard to the others -- and this is for
- 21 staff -- if you would total up all the requests. It seems
- 22 to me they come up to more than \$400,000.
- 23 Would you give me the total amount requested on
- 24 that.
- 25 MS. YEE: The total is five hundred --

1 CHAIRPERSON MEDINA: Now, you show a total of --

- 2 MS. YEE: Total is -- \$500,380 is the total for
- 3 all five. But of course these are estimates.
- 4 CHAIRPERSON MEDINA: I understand. I just would
- 5 like to see a total.
- 6 You're requesting \$400,000 on the right margin.
- 7 But you have figures in parentheses. And I'd like to know
- 8 what those add up to just so that I can see how much
- 9 you're requesting over what the total figure is.
- 10 Okay. So take a hundred thousand out of that.
- 11 And, Board members, what's your preference in
- 12 regard to the other options?
- 13 Board Member Patterson.
- 14 COMMITTEE MEMBER MOULTON-PATTERSON: Well, you
- 15 know, I'm probably not up to speed since I wasn't on the
- 16 Special Waste and didn't hear it. But I don't if there's
- 17 time constraints. I certainly want to see the full plan
- 18 before, you know, we allocate any more money. And if it's
- 19 a few days away or whatever, you know, personally I don't
- 20 see why we would vote on these others. But maybe there's
- 21 something I'm missing.
- 22 CHAIRPERSON MEDINA: Board Paparian.
- 23 COMMITTEE MEMBER PAPARIAN: Yeah. And I think
- 24 that the direction we had coming out at the Special Waste
- 25 Committee was we want this money spent in this area, but

1 we're not -- we weren't quite sure where we wanted it to

- 2 be spent until we have the additional information.
- 3 And then just to add to that, you know, I kind of
- 4 view their being kind of four types of audiences out
- 5 there: The people who always recycle; the people who
- 6 occasionally recycle and maybe could recycle some more;
- 7 the people who don't recycle but could be convinced to
- 8 recycle; and the people who probably will never recycle.
- 9 It's really those two middle groups that I think
- 10 our outreach really needs to be targeted towards. We want
- 11 to get to the people who occasionally recycle to recycle
- 12 more and the people who aren't recycling to begin
- 13 recycling. And, you know, it's possible that some of
- 14 these items on this list will help with that. But I think
- 15 we wanted to make sure that what we do is consistent with
- 16 the plans prepared by the Public Affairs Office and is
- 17 consistent with the best information we have available
- 18 about how to reach our target audiences.
- 19 CHAIRPERSON MEDINA: Okay. Thank you, Board
- 20 Member Paparian.
- 21 So we have made our recommendations in all of
- 22 them.
- 23 We will come back and revisit the Office of
- 24 Public Affairs advertisement campaign when the plan is
- 25 ready.

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And by my totals, we have allocated $1,328,000.
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- 2 So if you subtract that from the amount that was
- 3 available, what is the balance remaining that we will
- 4 roll-over to the next funding period?
- 5 Who has a calculator out there? Who's keeping a
- 6 running tab on these figures?
- 7 MS. YEE: What was your total, Chairperson
- 8 Medina?
- 9 CHAIRPERSON MEDINA: If you subtract the \$100,000
- 10 from the -- or actually --
- 11 MS. YEE: Can I get a clarify from you? On the
- 12 advertisement piece for \$400,000 --
- 13 CHAIRPERSON MEDINA: We're approving a hundred
- 14 thousand --
- MS. YEE: Approving a hundred thousand.
- Did you still want to carry over the \$300,000
- 17 to --
- 18 CHAIRPERSON MEDINA: Yes, we do.
- 19 MS. YEE: Okay. So we should actually put in the
- 20 400,000 there?
- 21 CHAIRPERSON MEDINA: Well --
- 22 MS. YEE: And the 300,000 we set aside until --
- 23 CHAIRPERSON MEDINA: What numbers do you wish to
- 24 put aside, the 300,000, or do you just wish to roll that
- 25 over to --

- 1 MS. YEE: That is what Special Waste did.
- 2 COMMITTEE MEMBER MOULTON-PATTERSON: You know, I
- 3 want it spent in Public Affairs myself. And however we do
- 4 it -- you know, I don't want to specifically say we're
- 5 funding this. But would that be your -- I mean I do want
- 6 it in the Public Affairs area.
- 7 COMMITTEE MEMBER PAPARIAN: Yeah. I mean my
- 8 preference would be to allocate the \$300,000 with the
- 9 direction that we want to hear back how that \$300,000 is
- 10 going to be spent -- we want to approve how that \$300,000
- 11 will be spent, and which I had approved. But I think the
- 12 Special Waste Committee, and I fully support this, was
- 13 comfortable with saying, "We are going to spend \$300,000
- 14 in this area, but we want to know more about what that's
- 15 going to be spent on."
- 16 CHAIRPERSON MEDINA: Very good.
- 17 We'll go with that. So are you clear on the
- 18 direction?
- MS. YEE: Yes.
- 20 So that would give us a total of \$1.428 million
- 21 in contract concept that you're recommending. And that
- 22 will leave us a balance of \$240,000.
- 23 CHAIRPERSON MEDINA: Very good.
- 24 That will be the recommendation then to the full
- 25 Board at the Board meeting.

1 MS. YEE: Will that also include Table 1, the

- 2 \$911,000 for the invoice item?
- 3 If you go to the very top of your sheet --
- 4 CHAIRPERSON MEDINA: Yes, I see that. That's the
- 5 third item down the list.
- 6 MS. WILLD-WAGNER: That is what the Committee
- 7 approved also, the -- these are invoiced expenditures for
- 8 printing and advertising that we do on an invoice basis.
- 9 CHAIRPERSON MEDINA: That's fine, yeah.
- 10 Now, we did approve the mandatory services, did
- 11 we not?
- MS. YEE: Yes.
- 13 CHAIRPERSON MEDINA: Okay. So that will be the
- 14 recommendation to the full Board.
- MS. WILLD-WAGNER: All right. Thank you.
- 16 CHAIRPERSON MEDINA: Does that conclude that
- 17 particular item?
- MS. YEE: Yes.
- 19 CHAIRPERSON MEDINA: Okay. Thank you.
- 20 With that we'll move on to the next item, Item C.
- 21 DEPUTY DIRECTOR JORDAN: Item C will be presented
- 22 by Linda Dickinson.
- 23 CHAIRPERSON MEDINA: Just for the record, do we
- 24 need a vote on the previous matter?
- In regards to the recommendations that have been

- 1 made by this Committee, Board Member Patterson?
- 2 COMMITTEE MEMBER MOULTON-PATTERSON: Aye.
- 3 CHAIRPERSON MEDINA: Board Member Paparian?
- 4 COMMITTEE MEMBER PAPARIAN: Aye.
- 5 CHAIRPERSON MEDINA: And then I vote aye. So we
- 6 have an affirmative vote.
- 7 MS. DICKINSON: Good morning. I'm Linda
- 8 Dickinson with the Special Waste's Waste Tire Diversion
- 9 Section.
- 10 And this item is on the Playground Cover Grant
- 11 Award Program for Fiscal Year '02-'03.
- 12 The Special Waste and Market Development
- 13 Committee voted 4 to 0 for fiscal consent on this item.
- 14 And the Board has awarded grants for playground
- 15 cover since '96-'97. And the five-year plan approved by
- 16 the Board at its March 2001 meeting designates \$800,000 to
- 17 fund the Waste Tire Playground Cover Grant Program for
- 18 five fiscal years beginning in fiscal year '01-'02.
- 19 This item is the second cycle under the five-year
- 20 plan. And the board had received 34 grant applications
- 21 requesting just over \$822,00. Sixty-six percent of the
- 22 applications were from southern California and 34 percent
- 23 were from northern California.
- 24 Two applications were disqualified. One was
- 25 because it was submitted on the wrong application and

- 1 another was an ineligible project.
- 2 The grant program is intended to fund programs up
- 3 to \$25,000 each, not to exceed \$800,000 for the grant
- 4 cycle. It has a 50-percent match. And the match can be
- 5 reduced to 25 percent of the grant request if the
- 6 applicant qualifies for financial hardship.
- 7 It is important to note that if the Board
- 8 approves Option 1 and awards funds to the 31 applicants
- 9 that passed the grant review process, for a combined total
- 10 of \$752,791 in funding, it would leave \$47,209 available
- 11 for reallocation.
- 12 CHAIRPERSON MEDINA: How much would be left over
- 13 for allocation?
- 14 MS. DICKINSON: \$47,209.
- 15 I don't know how much detail you want on this. I
- 16 can go into full detail or I can make it short. What is
- 17 your preference?
- 18 CHAIRPERSON MEDINA: Board members, do you have
- 19 any questions on this one?
- 20 Board Member Paparian, would you share with us
- 21 any discussion regarding this particular item?
- 22 COMMITTEE MEMBER PAPARIAN: Yeah, the Special
- 23 Waste Committee was pretty quick on this item. And we
- 24 unanimously supported it.
- 25 CHAIRPERSON MEDINA: Can we have a motion

- 1 regarding the resolution?
- 2 COMMITTEE MEMBER PAPARIAN: I'll move Resolution
- 3 2002-570 revised.
- 4 COMMITTEE MEMBER MOULTON-PATTERSON: I will
- 5 second that.
- 6 CHAIRPERSON MEDINA: Okay. Resolution 2002-570
- 7 revised has been moved and seconded.
- 8 Take the roll.
- 9 SECRETARY HARRIS: Moulton-Patterson?
- 10 COMMITTEE MEMBER MOULTON-PATTERSON: Aye.
- 11 SECRETARY HARRIS: Paparian?
- 12 COMMITTEE MEMBER PAPARIAN: Aye.
- 13 SECRETARY HARRIS: Medina?
- 14 CHAIRPERSON MEDINA: Aye.
- Okay. Resolution 2002-570 revised has been
- 16 approved.
- 17 And I need to go back. I had not seen the
- 18 resolution on the previous item. That's Resolution
- 19 2002-469 revised. If we can have a motion on that one.
- 20 COMMITTEE MEMBER MOULTON-PATTERSON: I will move
- 21 that.
- 22 COMMITTEE MEMBER PAPARIAN: Second.
- 23 CHAIRPERSON MEDINA: Okay. Resolution --
- 24 COMMITTEE MEMBER MOULTON-PATTERSON: Would you
- 25 read into the record. I've got to find my place here.

- 1 COMMITTEE MEMBER PAPARIAN: 2002-469.
- 2 COMMITTEE MEMBER MOULTON-PATTERSON: Yeah,
- 3 2002-469 revised. I move.
- 4 CHAIRPERSON MEDINA: Okay. Resolution 2002-469
- 5 has been moved by Moulton-Patterson, seconded by Board
- 6 Member Paparian.
- 7 Call the roll on that one.
- 8 SECRETARY HARRIS: Moulton-Patterson?
- 9 COMMITTEE MEMBER MOULTON-PATTERSON: Aye.
- 10 SECRETARY HARRIS: Paparian?
- 11 COMMITTEE MEMBER PAPARIAN: Aye.
- 12 SECRETARY HARRIS: Medina?
- 13 CHAIRPERSON MEDINA: Aye.
- Okay. That has been approved.
- 15 DEPUTY DIRECTOR JORDAN: Item D will be presented
- 16 by Jim La Tanner.
- 17 MR. LaTANNER: Good morning, Chairman Medina and
- 18 Board Members.
- 19 This Agenda Item presents an RMDZ loan to Epic
- 20 Plastics, Inc.
- 21 At the Special Waste and Market Development
- 22 Committee it was placed on fiscal consensus. Loan
- 23 Committee will meet on Thursday, October 10th, to approve
- 24 the credit worthiness of the collateral for the loan. The
- 25 results will be presented at the Board meeting.

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1 For this fiscal year the loan program was
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- 2 budgeted to fund up to \$10 million in RMDZ loans. With
- 3 this loan, if approved, would bring the totals for the
- 4 first six months to just under \$5 million, at \$4,965,000,
- 5 with remaining available funds of \$5,035,000 for future
- 6 applications.
- 7 And we have a number of applications and
- 8 prospects in the works that may utilize that.
- 9 Staff would recommend approval of the item since
- 10 funding is available for it.
- 11 Any questions?
- 12 CHAIRPERSON MEDINA: Board members, any questions
- 13 regarding this item?
- 14 COMMITTEE MEMBER MOULTON-PATTERSON: I have none.
- 15 COMMITTEE MEMBER PAPARIAN: Mr. Chairman, I'll
- 16 move adoption of Resolution 2002-579.
- 17 COMMITTEE MEMBER MOULTON-PATTERSON: I will
- 18 second it.
- 19 CHAIRPERSON MEDINA: Resolution 2002-579 has been
- 20 moved by Board Member Paparian, seconded by
- 21 Moulton-Patterson.
- Take the roll please.
- 23 SECRETARY HARRIS: Moulton-Patterson?
- 24 COMMITTEE MEMBER MOULTON-PATTERSON: Aye.
- 25 SECRETARY HARRIS: Paparian?

- 1 COMMITTEE MEMBER PAPARIAN: Aye.
- 2 SECRETARY HARRIS: Medina?
- 3 CHAIRPERSON MEDINA: Aye.
- 4 Resolution 2002-579 has been moved to the full
- 5 Board under fiscal consent.
- 6 DEPUTY DIRECTOR JORDAN: I will be presenting
- 7 Item F, consideration of the report to the Legislature on
- 8 the California Integrated Waste Management Board's grant
- 9 programs compliance with permitting and licensing
- 10 requirement.
- 11 This agenda item requests the Board's
- 12 consideration of the attached draft report. The attached
- 13 report was prepared to fulfill the legislative requirement
- 14 for the supplemental report due on December 1st, 2002.
- The draft provides an overview of the Board's
- 16 recent activities to strengthen process but adopt policy
- 17 to ensure grantee compliance with permitting and licensing
- 18 requirements.
- 19 The Board was previously presented with two
- 20 agenda items in months June and August. In August the
- 21 Board approved the policy and the proposed check list for
- 22 the purpose of complying -- for the grantee's compliance
- 23 with this requirement.
- In closing, the options for the Board are two:
- One, approve the draft report; two, approve the draft

1 report with specific revisions; or, three, disapprove the

- 2 draft report and require staff to return to the November
- 3 Board meeting incorporating Board-directed modifications.
- 4 Staff recommends that the Board approve Option 1
- 5 and adopt Resolution 2002-532.
- 6 CHAIRPERSON MEDINA: Board Member
- 7 Moulton-Patterson.
- 8 COMMITTEE MEMBER MOULTON-PATTERSON: If there
- 9 aren't any questions, I'll move Resolution 2002-532
- 10 revised.
- 11 COMMITTEE MEMBER PAPARIAN: Second.
- 12 CHAIRPERSON MEDINA: Resolution 2002-532 revised
- 13 has been revised by Moulton-Patterson, seconded by Board
- 14 Member Paparian.
- 15 Call the roll please.
- 16 SECRETARY HARRIS: Moulton-Patterson?
- 17 COMMITTEE MEMBER MOULTON-PATTERSON: Aye.
- 18 SECRETARY HARRIS: Paparian?
- 19 COMMITTEE MEMBER PAPARIAN: Aye.
- 20 SECRETARY HARRIS: Medina?
- 21 CHAIRPERSON MEDINA: Aye.
- 22 Resolution 2002-532 revised has been moved on to
- 23 the full Board.
- 24 And with that we're going to take a 10 minute
- 25 break.

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1 (Thereupon a short recess was taken.)
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- 2 CHAIRPERSON MEDINA: If everybody's ready, we'll
- 3 return back to order.
- 4 Call the next item please.
- 5 DEPUTY DIRECTOR JORDAN: Yes, Item G will be
- 6 presented by Carla Repucci.
- 7 Well, it appears that Carla's not here.
- 8 Oh, I'm sorry, Carla.
- 9 (Thereupon an overhead presentation was
- 10 presented as follows.)
- 11 MS. REPUCCI: Good morning, Mr. Chairman and
- 12 Members of the Committee. My name is Carla Repucci. And
- 13 I will present Committee Agenda Item G, which is Item 23
- 14 on the Board agenda, for the consideration of two
- 15 applications for Farm and Ranch Solid Waste Cleanup and
- 16 Abatement Grants.
- 17 This item was heard by the Permitting and
- 18 Enforcement Committee on October 7th, and recommended for
- 19 fiscal consent.
- 20 The first farm and ranch grants were awarded in
- 21 1997. The money is available to local governments to
- 22 clean up illegal disposal sites on farm and ranch property
- 23 and their jurisdictions.
- 24 Ten thousand dollars is currently available per
- 25 cleanup or abatement project and 50 thousand dollars is

1 available per city or county per year. For Fiscal Year

- 2 2002-2003, there is one million available for these
- 3 grants.
- 4 Three applications were received for the first
- 5 quarter of this fiscal year. Two are being recommended
- 6 for approval today. And staff is working with the third
- 7 applicant to help them complete their application.
- 8 I have a couple of photos to share of the two
- 9 sites proposed for cleanup.
- 10 --000--
- 11 MS. REPUCCI: This illegal disposal site is in
- 12 the Antelope Valley portion of Los Angeles County. The
- 13 waste is spread across three privately owned parcels. The
- 14 parcels are located within open rangeland, with sheep
- 15 grazing occurring on site.
- 16 The property has supported agricultural
- 17 activities in the past and its neighboring farmland. The
- 18 total amount of waste is estimated at 270 cubic yards.
- 19 --00--
- 20 MS. REPUCCI: The Kern County Waste Management
- 21 Department is proposing to clean up this illegal disposal
- 22 site.
- There are two parcels included in this proposal.
- 24 The parcels are zoned exclusive agricultural, which is
- 25 defined to designate areas for agricultural purposes and

1 to prevent encroachment of incompatible uses on to

- 2 agricultural land.
- 3 The parcels are separated by a dirt road. The
- 4 parcel on the north is fallow farmland and owned by a
- 5 local farmer. The second parcel is owned by the county
- 6 and has been leased out in the past for agricultural
- 7 activities and may again in the future.
- 8 The total amount of waste is estimated at 300
- 9 cubic yards plus 22 abandoned vehicles.
- 10 Approval of these two projects by the Board would
- 11 encumber \$19,201 and leave \$962,496 in the fund for grants
- 12 and program administration for Fiscal Year 2002-2003.
- Before staff recommendation and a vote by the
- 14 Committee I would like to give you a brief legislative
- 15 update.
- 16 Historically the farm and ranch program has been
- 17 undersubscribed. Over the years the local governments
- 18 have mentioned several reasons why they do not apply for
- 19 farm and ranch grants. The \$10,000 limit per site is at
- 20 the top of their list. It is just not enough money to
- 21 clean up many of the sites out there.
- 22 Another road block is the three percent cap on
- 23 administrative costs the grantees can charge to the grant.
- 24 In response to these concerns, Senate Bill 1328 was
- 25 drafted and subsequently signed by the Governor. It will

- 1 be effective January 1st.
- 2 The bill includes several important changes for
- 3 the farm and ranch grant program.
- 4 --000--
- 5 MS. REPUCCI: This slide shows a snapshot of
- 6 those changes. One column represents the changes from the
- 7 new legislation and the other shows the way the program is
- 8 currently.
- 9 Beginning January 1st, native American tribes and
- 10 resource conservation districts will be eligible to apply
- 11 directly to the Board for farm and ranch grants.
- 12 The bill also increases the amount available per
- 13 cleanup or abatement project to \$50,000 and allows an
- 14 increased amount available to each public entity or native
- 15 American tribe of \$200,000 per year.
- 16 In addition, the grantees will be able to recover
- 17 up to 7 percent of their grant administrative costs, which
- 18 is up from the current limit of 3 percent.
- 19 Staff will be working on revisions to the program
- 20 application and scoring criteria and response to the new
- 21 legislative changes, and plan to have them complete prior
- 22 to January 1st when the changes take effect.
- We are very exited about these changes and
- 24 believe they will make a difference in the popularity of
- 25 the farm and ranch grant program.

1 Agenda Item G is for the consideration of two

- 2 grant applications for Farm and Ranch Solid waste Cleanup
- 3 and Abatement Grants. Both of the grant applications meet
- 4 the eligibility requirements set forth by the statute.
- 5 Therefore, staff recommends the Board adopt Resolution
- 6 2002-574, authorizing the award of up to \$19,201 for the
- 7 grant applications from Los Angeles County and Kern County
- 8 and directing staff to develop and execute grant
- 9 agreements with the grant recipients.
- 10 I would be happy to answer any questions you
- 11 might have.
- 12 CHAIRPERSON MEDINA: Board members, any
- 13 questions?
- Board member Patterson.
- 15 COMMITTEE MEMBER MOULTON-PATTERSON: I'd like to
- 16 move Resolution 2002-574.
- 17 COMMITTEE MEMBER PAPARIAN: Second.
- 18 CHAIRPERSON MEDINA: Resolution 2002-574,
- 19 consideration of grant awards for the Farm and Ranch Solid
- 20 Waste CleanUp Grant Program has been moved by Board Member
- 21 Moulton-Patterson, seconded by Board Member Paparian.
- 22 Call the roll please.
- 23 SECRETARY HARRIS: Moulton-Patterson?
- 24 COMMITTEE MEMBER MOULTON-PATTERSON: Aye.
- 25 SECRETARY HARRIS: Paparian?

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1 COMMITTEE MEMBER PAPARIAN: Aye.
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- 2 SECRETARY HARRIS: Medina?
- 3 CHAIRPERSON MEDINA: Aye.
- 4 This item will move to the full Board on fiscal
- 5 consent.
- 6 And thank you for your presentation. And I want
- 7 to say that the new legislation will certainly help this
- 8 program move forward.
- 9 MS. REPUCCI: Thank you.
- 10 CHAIRPERSON MEDINA: Next item, please.
- 11 DEPUTY DIRECTOR JORDAN: Yes, now we're entering
- 12 into the presentation items.
- 13 Item H is a presentation of automated grants
- 14 management system.
- 15 And Doug Ralston will present.
- 16 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: Mr. Chairman, if I
- 17 might before Doug starts. I wanted to bring this
- 18 Committee up to speed on the whole board-wide effort to
- 19 improve our grant management system. As you will recall,
- 20 I reported to you and to the rest of the full Board about
- 21 an executive effort to take a thorough evaluation of our
- 22 Grants Management Program, recognizing how integral it is
- 23 to how the Board functions. In effect, a large number of
- 24 Board staff touch and participate in grants management
- 25 throughout the Board and on your behalf. That effort

1 continues. I think Doug's report will represent a huge

- 2 step forward for this Board in its sophistication and
- 3 managing the many components of a grants management
- 4 system. But at the same time we're continuing our
- 5 evaluation from a business process versus a practices
- 6 perspective, and making sure that we're an efficient and
- 7 effective in doing grants on your behalf and for the
- 8 people of the state of California from this point forward.
- 9 So I really appreciate Doug's presentation today.
- 10 And I just wanted you to know that this is a big piece of
- 11 an overall larger effort to improve our management of our
- 12 grants and our money.
- 13 Thank you.
- 14 CHAIRPERSON MEDINA: Thank you, Mr. Leary.
- Ms. Jordan.
- 16 DEPUTY DIRECTOR JORDAN: And I would like to
- 17 mention, this is a very large undertaking, with a huge
- 18 effort. And it was a combination of efforts primarily
- 19 with IMB taking the lead. And program staff -- key
- 20 program staff, and the GAU, the Grants Administration
- 21 Unit, and Information Management Branch employees, took 18
- 22 months to put this together, and it is phenomenal. So I
- 23 just wanted to give that positive note.
- 24 MR. RALSTON: Chairman Medina, Members of the
- 25 Board. Mark and Terry, after that buildup it better

- 1 deliver here.
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- 3 MR. RALSTON: As both Mark and Terry have
- 4 indicated, this was a very in-depth and very broad effort
- 5 on the part of the Information Management Branch and the
- 6 various grant programs here within the Board.
- 7 The project was initiated in the first quarter of
- 8 2001. And the reason it was initiated was because the
- 9 existing grant -- or at that time the existing grant
- 10 automated system was GRATIS, and it was built in 1995.
- 11 Since 1995 both the nature and the volume and the
- 12 sophistication of grants administration within the Board
- 13 has grown tremendously. It became very apparent in the
- 14 end of 2000 that we needed to make some significant
- 15 changes to what was then the GRATIS system and to bring on
- 16 board some better technology but also a better way of
- 17 doing the grants business -- or the Board's business when
- 18 it came to grants administration.
- 19 Today I'd like to show you what the result of
- 20 that 18-month effort was. And also then to provide you
- 21 some background on additional features that we have to
- 22 support those who administer and manage grants within the
- 23 Board, and then finally a little bit on the implementation
- 24 of the new GMS system, which occurred a couple of weeks
- 25 ago.

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- 2 MR. RALSTON: As I mentioned, the project was
- 3 begun of 2001. What began as an initial effort to
- 4 shore-up GRATIS became very quickly an analysis on how we
- 5 might do better at grant administration within the Board.
- 6 We had representatives from each of the major
- 7 grant programs as well as some of the smaller grant
- 8 programs. This was indeed a board-wide effort, and I
- 9 would like to really commend those from the program areas
- 10 who spent the time with us to show I think both a spirit
- 11 of cooperation and consensus, but also a desire for full
- 12 quality and quality assurance in the data that they
- 13 entered.
- 14 CHAIRPERSON MEDINA: Is GRATIS an acronym for
- 15 something or is that just an appropriate sounding name?
- MR. RALSTON: Yes, GRATIS is the old Grant
- 17 Administration Tracking Information System. That's how
- 18 GRATIS was named. So thank you for allowing me to present
- 19 that acronym to you.
- 20 But this particular system also allowed us to put
- 21 in new technology, new database technology, as well as to
- 22 leverage existing Board data resources here, including
- 23 CML, including BAWDS, including some of the statutes and
- 24 regs that we already have on line.
- 25 And, finally, and perhaps as important as any of

1 the other above, would be the setting of standards and

- 2 consistent operating procedures for the grant programs as
- 3 a whole.
- 4 --000--
- 5 MR. RALSTON: When we think about what goes into
- 6 a grants program there really are four components. The
- 7 grants management system that we'll be showing here
- 8 shortly is one of the main pieces, but there are also
- 9 other pieces.
- 10 One is, with the introduction of new staff and
- 11 new grant programs, there's the need for on-line
- 12 information on how many grant programs do we have, what do
- 13 they have in terms of their criteria, what are their cycle
- 14 timelines, are have we done with some of the old grant
- 15 programs? For folks to adequately and competently
- 16 administer grants you need to have some of the that
- 17 background or some of that corporate memory. And so we've
- 18 attempted to do that with the on-line system. And we'll
- 19 see that in a moment.
- 20 Another is to be able to document the policies
- 21 and procedures that grant managers and executive staff
- 22 look to grant folks to be able to provide; and, that is,
- 23 how are we doing business? And doing the GMS project we
- 24 came across a number of different ways of approaching
- 25 often the same business problem and we were able through

1 the coordination and cooperation of a team to narrow those

- 2 down into specific policies and procedures that GAU will
- 3 monitor, but that also each of the grant program areas
- 4 will monitor for their own grant programs.
- 5 Putting it in writing and making it on line and
- 6 available to those who administer the grants is a very
- 7 good way to ensure that folks have access to the
- 8 information that they need to do the job.
- 9 And, finally, we were able to put on line
- 10 examples of templates, check lists, forms, a glossary,
- 11 what do we mean when we say final payment? And looking at
- 12 those different aspects of administration, we came to
- 13 consensus upon what the definitions for those were. And,
- 14 again, this is another on-line supportive function of the
- 15 grants management system.
- 16 --000--
- 17 MR. RALSTON: Steve Barnett over here is driving
- 18 the mouse. And Steve is also the lead developer for the
- 19 grants management system. And Steve oversees a team of
- 20 three who have been working on this diligently for the
- 21 last four to five months and actually doing the computer
- 22 coding.
- 23 When we take a look at the current GMS screen or
- 24 grant management system screen, what you'll see on the
- 25 left-hand side are a number of buttons. These relate or

- 1 correlate to the steps in a grant life cycle. Often we
- 2 have administration functions that come first. We have to
- 3 be able to talk about the program. We deal with cycles,
- 4 many of which you heard this morning in the previous
- 5 presenters. And then also, how do we handle notification
- 6 of grant programs? And then, how do we administer the
- 7 grant program itself?
- 8 Steve, I'd like you, if you would please, go up
- 9 to "program."
- 10 One of things that we were asked to do by the
- 11 various grant program was to put information on what it is
- 12 that they do, what is this grant program all about? So
- 13 what you see, the program button there, what it provides
- 14 is background information on the allocation, the effective
- 15 statute, if there's a sunset date, the bill author, the
- 16 program objectives and comments.
- 17 It also provides the funding source -- if you
- 18 would hit that tab at the bottom, Steve -- on what has
- 19 been the allocation over the past years and what was the
- 20 budget built associated with that.
- 21 This kind of information was scattered about
- 22 before GMS. And it has been one of the desires on our
- 23 part to bring that kind of fiscal background information
- 24 in and make sure that the grant folks had that for their
- 25 oversight of the programs.

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1 If you want to hit "cycle," Steve, we'll take a
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- 2 quick look at each one of these buttons, and then move on
- 3 to some other features that I want to show.
- 4 The cycle speaks to what is that we're doing at
- 5 this time with this particular grant program. And again
- 6 it's that background information that is often not
- 7 available or has not been available in the past to some of
- 8 the grants. And we're now coalescing that and putting it
- 9 in one spot for both managers and grant project officers
- 10 to work from.
- 11 Want to hit "authority" and "funding," Steve.
- 12 --00o--
- 13 MR. RALSTON: You'll see here many of these
- 14 fiscal -- the fiscal information here is put in buy GAU.
- 15 But with GAU providing the back-end support, the grant
- 16 program managers also need to have that information. So
- 17 by bringing these into different screens, we're providing
- 18 that source information for the programs.
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- 20 MR. RALSTON: Events. As we've heard this
- 21 morning from a number of different grant program
- 22 administrators, there are different grant programs. And
- 23 often these have different key milestone points. One of
- 24 the challenges with the GMS system is how do you take
- 25 15-plus grant programs and come up with a standard way of

1 approaching what they have to take into account during

- 2 this cycle or during the grant award period?
- 3 One of the ways you do that is providing some
- 4 flexibility in what their milestone dates are. Here in
- 5 this events, this is what a specific grant would have to
- 6 go through in order to be successful or to be fully
- 7 administered and closed out.
- 8 We provide flexibility within this events to
- 9 allow for flexibility within the program, knowing that no
- 10 one grant program is the same as the next.
- 11 --000--
- MR. RALSTON: We're also putting in and we're
- 13 able to reduce down the number of budget categories. This
- 14 has significance for high-level reporting. Before we did
- 15 this contraction the team was wrestling with 125 different
- 16 budget categories, that is, monies or areas where monies
- 17 were spent by these grants. We needed to reduce that down
- 18 because reporting across grant programs by personnel or by
- 19 materials wasn't possible given the nature of the
- 20 terminology used.
- 21 I really need to commend the team for having that
- 22 "can do" attitude and boiling these down to about 20. So
- 23 we're able then to not only provide more information, but
- 24 more focused information on the kind of grants -- or the
- 25 places where our grant money is going.

1 Additionally to this, the grant program folks

- 2 have other kinds of specific detail that they can work
- 3 into their grant program that allows them to keep specific
- 4 transactions in mind.
- 5 We also put in what required documents are
- 6 necessary for a particular grant and grant cycle. And
- 7 that's what you've got up over in the right-hand corner.
- 8 Steve, you want to move on to scoring.
- 9 ---00--
- 10 MR. RALSTON: Of all the pieces of GMS, this is
- 11 probably going to be the most used and the most flexible.
- 12 What grant criteria is developed and how that grant
- 13 criteria is stated and scoring was often done on
- 14 spreadsheets. It was often done by different folks at
- 15 different parts of the grant program.
- 16 What GMS enfolds here is the grant criteria
- 17 providing maximum score, providing the name of the
- 18 criterion, and a description of it. This becomes part of
- 19 the historical record for that particular grant cycle;
- 20 such that if you wanted to know what we did last year for
- 21 a specific competitive grant, you will have that
- 22 information here. Very, very good approach on this by the
- 23 team.
- 24 And then, finally, if you'll hit "archive,"
- 25 Steve. This has not yet been developed or at least this

1 one isn't ready for archives. But if and when this grant

- 2 is finished and we send it off to central records or
- 3 wherever, we'll be able to find that grant and bring it
- 4 back. This again provides some more historical
- 5 information and some administrative data for those who run
- 6 the program.
- 7 --000--
- 8 MR. RALSTON: NOFA cycle. One of the most
- 9 important parts of any grant program is notifying
- 10 potential recipients that the grant is available.
- 11 What we've done here is to incorporate a number
- 12 of technologies into GMS. We are able to do NOFA lists,
- 13 pulling NOFA lists from the CML, centralized mailing list
- 14 program. We're able to also show and bring in lists that
- 15 others may want to include in a particular notification.
- 16 Can you click on the "NOFA" tab, Steve.
- 17 --000--
- MR. RALSTON: We have also put into this
- 19 particular feature a number of data refinements, including
- 20 being able to eliminate duplicates on NOFA categories.
- 21 This represents really kind of a huge leveraging
- 22 of the existing time and effort we spend on CML and brings
- 23 it in within the GMS system such that grant managers don't
- 24 have to leave the system to do what they need to do. It
- 25 also provides on the contacts -- if you'd go back to that,

- 1 Steve -- the ability to both E-mail a specific contact
- 2 and/or FAX information from within GMS using our Office
- 3 2000 features.
- 4 This is a very, very nice tool, I think is going
- 5 to save grant staff who work with NOFAs a tremendous
- 6 amount of time by having access to it within the grants
- 7 management system.
- 8 --000--
- 9 COMMITTEE MEMBER PAPARIAN: Just a quick question
- 10 here.
- 11 So is the idea that eventually we'll be E-mailing
- 12 NOFAs?
- 13 MR. RALSTON: Um-hmm.
- 14 COMMITTEE MEMBER PAPARIAN: Okay. Great.
- MR. RALSTON: Yeah, we will have a number of
- 16 different options. One, we will be able to put -- if we
- 17 can get their E-mail address on the primary contacts, be
- 18 able to put them on the list server and send out E-mails
- 19 regarding NOFA, that they're available. We'll also be
- 20 able to do broadcast FAX's if that's desired as well.
- 21 COMMITTEE MEMBER PAPARIAN: Great.
- See, Andrew's smiling. Less paper used.
- MR. RALSTON: Yeah. That was certainly taken
- 24 into account when we did this. You know, where are some
- 25 ways that we can take existing technology, if we find it,

1 and make it part of the process that meets a number of

- 2 different goals including waste reduction?
- 3 Steve, let's go to the grants screen.
- 4 --000--
- 5 MR. RALSTON: I always feel Alex Traveck here,
- 6 you know. Grant screen for 200, right?
- 7 What we have here in the if grant screen is
- 8 really where most of the grant project officers are going
- 9 to be working. And here you see those specific kinds of
- 10 categories that deal with the day-to-day operational
- 11 aspects of grants. We have the applicant; we have the
- 12 grant program managers; we have the amount contracted or
- 13 awarded; how much has been requested; what was their
- 14 budget; if it was cut, what was it cut to and how much was
- 15 recommended? Those kinds of figures are all going to be
- 16 on this screen here.
- We also have specific comments that allow project
- 18 officers over time -- and projects don't always stay with
- 19 one person forever. But as they go through the grants and
- 20 as these grants are administered, they are allowed to put
- 21 in comments that give us certain sense of what have been
- 22 the previous steps on this particular grant.
- But a contact participant. Here again we have
- 24 who the primary contacts are. And given the regional
- 25 nature of many of the grants where we've got two or three

1 jurisdictions coming in as one body seeking grants, we've

- 2 been able to break out if there are more than one
- 3 participant which one is the lead and which one is not the
- 4 lead.
- 5 ---00---
- 6 MR. RALSTON: This was requested by a number of
- 7 grant programs.
- 8 Hit "events," Steve, I think. Is that the same
- 9 as we've seen?
- 10 Okay. Yeah, go to transactions.
- 11 --000--
- 12 MR. RALSTON: The transaction screens here show
- 13 what have been the various payments over time and what
- 14 have they purchased. We also have interest and matching
- 15 screens for those grant programs that do follow that and
- 16 match against those.
- 17 I think reporting budget and budget screen.
- 18 Here again we go back to those 25 budget
- 19 categories that we've kind of boiled things down to. The
- 20 subcategory block on the bottom is where the program staff
- 21 can actually enter in specific kinds of information on
- 22 procurements or developments done with the grant money.
- 23 And I think, Steve, I think that's pretty much it
- 24 for that. I think you start to get a feel for the nature
- 25 of this grant program and not only the comprehensiveness

- 1 of it, but also the depth of it.
- 2 Steve, let's go to the Board Net.
- 3 --000--
- 4 MR. RALSTON: As I indicated a little earlier in
- 5 the presentation, there are other component pieces besides
- 6 the automated system, and we're very excited about these.
- 7 These are available on Board Net to anybody that would
- 8 like to see them within the Board.
- 9 And they have to do with some of that corporate
- 10 memory, if you will.
- 11 So, Steve, do you want to hit the "about CIWMB
- 12 grants."
- 13 --000--
- 14 MR. RALSTON: Current grant program cycles. One
- 15 of the ways that we can provide better information to the
- 16 grant folks is to take the information that's currently on
- 17 line or that is in text and put it into HTML, thus make it
- 18 available on Board Net. What we've done here is to
- 19 incorporate a number of different data sources for the
- 20 grant project officer and managers. Everything you see in
- 21 blue is accessible and on line. Such if you wanted to
- 22 know more about the farm and ranch solid waste clean up,
- 23 you could click on the public resources code and be taken
- 24 to the actual code section.
- 25 Let's go back. If you want to know a little more

1 about the grant program itself, you would have clicked on

- 2 the Farm and Ranch Solid Waste Clean Up Abatement Grant
- 3 Program.
- 4 There you go, Steve. Thanks.
- 5 And this provides another synopsis of what that
- 6 program's all about.
- 7 And then, finally, if you wanted to see the
- 8 California code and regulations on this particular grant
- 9 program, that would also be available to you.
- 10 Also, when you look down the list there you're
- 11 going to see awards. And what we've done here is to take
- 12 all of the BODs agenda items that dealt with grant and
- 13 grant awards, not unlike what you've done this morning,
- 14 and to put those into HTML such that if you wanted to go
- 15 back over time and see what was awarded and to whom, you
- 16 could do that.
- 17 So, Steve, you want to pick one of those and take
- 18 a look. This takes you to the actual BAWDS --
- 19 CHAIRPERSON MEDINA: If you could wrap up in a
- 20 while. I know there's an awful lot of detail to go
- 21 through here. We're going to want a certificate at the
- 22 end of this. I want to allow the Board members to ask
- 23 some questions in regard to the system itself.
- 24 MR. RALSTON: Okay. Very good.
- 25 Steve, let's go back.

- 1 Let's see here. Policies procedures, very
- 2 quickly. This is a summary of the various policies that
- 3 we came to agreement on. Why don't you just pick out one
- 4 there, say, green procurement. And, here again, we have
- 5 all the background information on what green procurement
- 6 is, and the Board's actions are regarding that.
- 7 I will stop the presentation at this point and be
- 8 happy to take any questions that you may have.
- 9 CHAIRPERSON MEDINA: Okay. Thank you very much.
- 10 That certainly was very informative.
- 11 Board members, any questions, any comments
- 12 regarding this?
- 13 COMMITTEE MEMBER MOULTON-PATTERSON: It's
- 14 certainly a wealth of information. And I'm really looking
- 15 forward to looking into it. Thanks for your work.
- MR. RALSTON: Thank you.
- 17 COMMITTEE MEMBER PAPARIAN: Great job.
- 18 MR. RALSTON: Thank you very much.
- 19 CHAIRPERSON MEDINA: Okay. Thank you for your
- 20 presentation.
- 21 DEPUTY DIRECTOR JORDAN: Item I will be presented
- 22 by Andrew Hurst.
- 23 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: Andrew represents that
- 24 end of the spectrum people who you can never get to
- 25 recycle. I think you'll all recognize that about Andrew.

1 WASTE REDUCTION COORDINATOR HURST: Good morning,

- 2 Board Members. My name is Andrew Hurst. I am the waste
- 3 reduction coordinator for the Integrated Waste Management
- 4 Board.
- 5 And in that position I act as the lead for the
- 6 CalEPA Headquarters Building Waste Reduction Program.
- 7 I will be presenting information to you about the
- 8 building-wide activities and about specific Board
- 9 activities. It's difficult to separate out what we do at
- 10 the Board and what happens building wide. There are a few
- 11 things that we do specifically here and I will highlight
- 12 those.
- 13 The CalEPA Headquarters Building Waste Reduction
- 14 Program is just that, a waste reduction program.
- 15 --000--
- 16 WASTE REDUCTION COORDINATOR HURST: The mini-bin
- 17 waste collection system that requires staff to consolidate
- 18 the waste generated in their work spaces to a centrally
- 19 located container is designed to increase their awareness
- 20 of the materials they are generating. This awareness is
- 21 hopefully leading to more thoughtful decisions about how
- 22 they choose to buy that cup of coffee or pack their lunch.
- 23 And I can attest my supervisor, Susan Villa, packs her
- 24 lunch in reusable containers now because I give her a hard
- 25 time. Three cheers for Susan.

1 The program also strives to make recycling as

- 2 convenient as possible. The largest portion of our
- 3 recycling stream is paper. This is what is collected from
- 4 the offices is mixed paper. White paper, a more valuable
- 5 commodity, is collected in the centrally located recycling
- 6 bins as an optional program. And staff are required to
- 7 transport that white paper to a centrally located
- 8 container. The bottles and cans are also separated --
- 9 collected separately and transported down to the dock
- 10 along with the white paper by the janitorial staff.
- 11 One of the things that we brought in from our old
- 12 facility, an innovative, sort of cutting edge, pushing the
- 13 envelope, crazy thing as many of our neighbors here in the
- 14 building have said, are worm bins. There are
- 15 approximately 100 worm bins, deskside worm bins operating
- 16 in the building right now. I have one under my desk.
- 17 Board Member Paparian has one outside his office. And
- 18 food and vegetable scraps are going into that and creating
- 19 this rich valuable soil amendment.
- 20 We also have a large worm bin on the exterior of
- 21 the building that the cafe takes their food preparation
- 22 scraps into. And if anybody wants a tour, I'll take you
- 23 out there afterwards and show you that one.
- 24 We also have a collection program for universal
- 25 waste batteries. All the batteries that are collected or

- 1 generated in the office spaces can be collected at
- 2 individual points throughout the building. Each BDO has a
- 3 collection point. I'm the collection point for the Waste
- 4 Board. Send it to me and I'll make sure it gets out to
- 5 the appropriate recycling or disposal --
- 6 CHAIRPERSON MEDINA: So where are you located?
- 7 WASTE REDUCTION COORDINATOR HURST: Nineteenth
- 8 Floor. You can use the interoffice mail even, put it in
- 9 an interoffice mail envelope and it gets to me.
- 10 The other thing that we participate in and is
- 11 also a building-wide issue is the collection of pallets.
- 12 We diverted last year about 20 tons of material that was
- 13 pallets that are being sent out for reuse. So that's a
- 14 significant portion of our waste stream.
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- 16 WASTE REDUCTION COORDINATOR HURST: Some of the
- 17 potential expansions -- and these you all should
- 18 recognize, these are the things that we do here at the
- 19 Waste Management Board that aren't being done
- 20 building-wide. But we're looking to expand some of these.
- 21 Some of the boards, departments and offices are
- 22 participating in these activities. But collection of
- 23 single-sided paper for making draft pads, diskette reuse,
- 24 envelope reuse, greeting card reuse, they're sent out to
- 25 St. Jude's for Children. Which I just got a packet of

- 1 samples from them with ordering envelopes. So if you
- 2 haven't ordered your Christmas or holiday cards yet, you
- 3 can get them through St. Jude's.
- 4 CHAIRPERSON MEDINA: So the greeting card reuse,
- 5 how does that work? You just cross out the name and write
- 6 another name in?
- 7 WASTE REDUCTION COORDINATOR HURST: Sort of.
- 8 They take the fronts off of them and paste them on the new
- 9 cards. But they have a wide selection available.
- 10 So I can make those available if anybody needs
- 11 them.
- 12 And we also collect overhead transparency
- 13 recycling and tieback envelopes. These are things that
- 14 we've taken advantage of that are sort of
- 15 industry-sponsored programs. The overhead transparencies,
- 16 3M takes those back; tieback, Dupont takes those back. So
- 17 we're taking advantage of those manufacturers that are
- 18 practicing manufacturer responsibility.
- 19 ---00--
- 20 WASTE REDUCTION COORDINATOR HURST: The next
- 21 slide here shows the numbers. This is the last 12 months
- 22 of available data. It ends in June. I do have July and
- 23 August data, but this was all prepared for the last
- 24 meeting. So I haven't updated yet. But this gives you a
- 25 good sense of what we're doing and how we're doing. The

1 top section in green are recycling. The bottom section is

- 2 what's going on as disposal.
- 3 The next slide will show a breakdown of what the
- 4 recycling stream is made up of. There are spikes in
- 5 August and December and then another one in March. And
- 6 those aren't -- you know, we generated a whole bunch of
- 7 material that month, but the spike is relative. The
- $\ensuremath{\mathtt{8}}$ recycling and the disposal went up because there was an
- 9 extra pickup. We were running about two hauls a month.
- 10 Some months we squeezed in three. So it's 27 for this
- 11 cycle here, this 12 month period.
- 12 --00o--
- 13 WASTE REDUCTION COORDINATOR HURST: This chart
- 14 here, as you can see, the bulk of what we're generating
- 15 here as recyclables is mixed paper; 75 percent of our
- 16 recycling stream is mixed paper, which includes cardboard,
- 17 magazines, newspaper, pretty much any piece of paper
- 18 that's coming across your desk as long as it's not a
- 19 tissue paper, something that is a food contaminator,
- 20 biologically contaminated. White paper is pulled out
- 21 separately here even though it can be recycled as a mixed
- 22 paper.
- But 11 percent of the total recycling stream is
- 24 the white paper, 9 percent is the pallets that I mentioned
- 25 earlier, beverage containers a smaller portion at 4

- 1 percent.
- 2 The bathroom tissue, we estimate it's about 125
- 3 pounds a week of the small little bits that are left on
- 4 the roll that the janitors pull out, which generate 1
- 5 percent of our recycling stream that we're sending out
- 6 to -- when I say "we," I sort of -- that means the
- 7 building. I'm not actually doing that. But the
- 8 janitorial staff in building management sends that to one
- 9 of the local shelters where it's continued to be used and
- 10 used down to the very last bit of that.
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- 12 WASTE REDUCTION COORDINATOR HURST: Next I would
- 13 like to talk about our specific programs, what the CIWMB
- 14 is doing specifically. And I would like to follow the
- 15 waste management hierarchy of reduce, reuse, recycle, and
- 16 first talk about our source reduction activities.
- 17 Duplex printing is set as a default on all of our
- 18 computers. It's standard practice to duplex copy. Copy
- 19 jobs go out of here, for the most part, duplexed, as
- 20 business need requires.
- 21 Documents and publications are routed for review.
- 22 We don't have individual memos put in individual mailboxes
- 23 now. Somebody puts a routing slip on there and it goes
- 24 around our office, very interesting articles or magazines.
- 25 The use of reusable cups, plates, and utensils

1 are encouraged. And it just tickles me, every time I see

- 2 a Board-wide or a division-wide announcement about
- 3 somebody leaving or having a party or whatever, and then
- 4 people's little note in there about, you know, don't
- 5 forget to bring your cups and plates. That's source
- 6 reduction. That's material that, you know, would have
- 7 gone into a waste stream, but people are bringing their
- 8 own material.
- 9 We use E-mail in our web site extensively. This
- 10 grants program that was presented earlier is probably
- 11 going to save us quite a bit of paper, not just in the
- 12 NOFA; but in the whole process it's going to help us save
- 13 paper.
- 14 We purchase paper without ream wrappers. The
- 15 boxes -- the little boxes that we have, we don't have ream
- 16 wrappers in there, which are a waste. We get 2500 sheets
- 17 wrapped in a cardboard box instead of 500 sheets in
- 18 individual pieces of paper.
- 19 We work with vendors to return unused products.
- 20 We just ordered some new monitors, and the monitors came
- 21 with a European power cord and a power cord for -- the
- 22 American standard for electricity. We sent the European
- 23 one back to them so they could potentially put them back
- 24 into their box and reuse it or recycle it as they see fit.
- 25 And we encourage the use of rechargeable

1 batteries, which if you look on the EPA net under the

- 2 Universal Waste pages that I created, there's some
- 3 impressive numbers about the waste that's saved and the
- 4 amount of money that can be saved.
- 5 ---00--
- 6 WASTE REDUCTION COORDINATOR HURST: Next, the
- 7 reuse programs, continuing the hierarchy. Computer
- 8 diskettes, envelopes, packaging materials, single-sided
- 9 paper, office supplies, greeting cards, aggressive use of
- 10 the DGS Surplus Property Program. I've actually taken to
- 11 rescuing items out of the freight elevators that other
- 12 boards, departments, and offices have put out to go away.
- 13 And we send it out to DGS reutilization for them.
- 14 Recycling programs that we're doing in the Waste
- 15 Board that aren't happening but building wide: Compact
- 16 disks, computer equipment, that material that -- the
- 17 E-waste that we generate is going through the Surplus
- 18 Property Program and, for the most part, going out through
- 19 the DGS program to a facility in Atwater running through
- 20 the federal prisons.
- 21 Our ink and toner cartridges are collected and
- 22 remanufactured or recycled, as is appropriate.
- 23 Transparency film, again, and tieback envelopes. And
- 24 these are things that the Waste Board is doing.
- 25 Lastly, I would like to talk to you about what we

- 1 might do to improve upon our efforts.
- 2 And I believe that working closely with the
- 3 Environmental Management System, or EMS, will be an
- 4 extremely valuable opportunity to educate the staff about
- 5 the impacts their actions have on our environment and, in
- 6 turn, inspire them to reduce those impacts. I can't say
- 7 enough about my hope for what we're going to be able to
- 8 accomplish with the EMS on a building-wide perspective.
- 9 Hopefully, the EMS initiative will encourage
- 10 staff to take full advantage of our waste reduction
- 11 programs. And at a minimum those here at the CIWMB who do
- 12 not separate their recyclables from their trash can be
- 13 inspired to participate fully. While I will be the first
- 14 one to argue that they have a right not to participate, I
- 15 must question their commitment to the Board's vision and
- 16 mission.
- 17 Some of this encouragement might come from
- 18 monthly reminders about our in-house programs and other
- 19 resource conservation related activities. It is hoped
- 20 that these will help keep staff thinking about our mission
- 21 and their part in fulfilling that mission.
- 22 Since prevention is always the best practice,
- 23 proper preventive maintenance on our equipment, whether
- 24 it's a chair, a FAX machine or an electronic stapler, will
- 25 maximize the value of our investments in these items.

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1 Similarly a judicious evaluation of the repairability of
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- 2 damaged equipment will extend budgets and reduce disposal.
- 3 Lastly, this might be an oversimplification, but
- 4 anything that ends up in our waste or recycling stream is
- 5 the result of consumption. Let me also state that I
- 6 realize we all have jobs to do and those jobs require
- 7 resources. I just think that many of us do not appreciate
- 8 the full cost of our actions. So I think we can all do a
- 9 better job of only printing what we really need, only
- 10 ordering what and how much we really need, and at the end
- 11 finding more efficient ways of doing our daily work.
- 12 Any questions?
- 13 CHAIRPERSON MEDINA: Thank you for a good
- 14 presentation. And it's a wonderful program.
- Board members, any questions or comments?
- 16 COMMITTEE MEMBER MOULTON-PATTERSON: No. I
- 17 just -- I don't know -- you know, we couldn't do it here.
- 18 But like to give some thought to some way that we could,
- 19 not -- maybe set up a competition between the boards and
- 20 departments or have something CalEPA-wide where we can --
- 21 you might have already done something like that. I'm not
- 22 sure. But some sort of a reward for doing such a good
- 23 job -- some recognition.
- 24 WASTE REDUCTION COORDINATOR HURST: Well, I
- 25 didn't mention it during the presentation. But those

- 1 numbers that you saw, we're recycling at a 67-percent
- 2 rate; which AB 75 requires 50 percent by 2004. So we've
- 3 knocked that out of the park. We are doing a phenomenal
- 4 job. And competition is another way to, use Emeril's
- 5 line, kick it up a notch. We probably could get a little
- 6 more competition going. The logistics of tracking all
- 7 that is difficult. But as part of the EMS, we will be
- 8 monitoring these things. And EMS is looking at
- 9 monitoring --
- 10 COMMITTEE MEMBER MOULTON-PATTERSON: But if we
- 11 had -- you know, I've seen some sort of a little -- what
- 12 do you call those things? If we got to 75 percent
- 13 building-wide or something, a "Thank You," you know,
- 14 something like that, it seems like it would be fun.
- 15 WASTE REDUCTION COORDINATOR HURST: Yeah,
- 16 eventually.
- 17 It's sort of a fine line with rewarding state
- 18 employees though. I've found it difficult to come up with
- 19 appropriate rewards.
- 20 I actually want to maybe bake stones or something
- 21 some day and stand in the lobby. And people who are
- 22 coming in with a reusable mug, we could give them a free
- 23 scone for reusing.
- 24 COMMITTEE MEMBER MOULTON-PATTERSON: Yeah,
- 25 something like that.

1 WASTE REDUCTION COORDINATOR HURST: Yeah, you

- 2 know, there are lots of things out there. And I'd
- 3 appreciate any suggestions you or staff might have.
- 4 COMMITTEE MEMBER MOULTON-PATTERSON: Well, we
- 5 appreciate your enthusiasm.
- 6 WASTE REDUCTION COORDINATOR HURST: Thank you.
- 7 CHAIRPERSON MEDINA: Board Member Paparian.
- 8 COMMITTEE MEMBER PAPARIAN: Maybe we can get
- 9 someone to jump in a dunk tank or something if we reach a
- 10 certain percentage.
- 11 You know, Some of the -- as we get to some of the
- 12 new items for recycling, like compact disks and batteries
- 13 and so forth, presumably people will bring some from home
- 14 just because this is going to be the convenient place to
- 15 recycle some of those items. CD's -- I have no clue where
- 16 to take my CD's.
- 17 WASTE REDUCTION COORDINATOR HURST: Yeah. You
- 18 can send them back to AOL. But I don't think they're
- 19 really accepting those.
- 20 The CD's, there is really a minimal cost for us
- 21 to manage the CD's. And if -- I have a huge selection of
- 22 AOL CD's that I know people aren't getting at the office,
- 23 that are coming in from home. Those, there's a minimal
- 24 cost there. If any cost in getting rid of those, somebody
- 25 is just going to take those from us at no charge.

1 The batteries is a different story. There's a

- 2 substantial cost to the disposal of batteries. And I
- 3 tried to make it very clear on the web pages put up on the
- 4 EPA net that those are not for home use. And you'll see,
- 5 if you go to those web pages there, there's a link to the
- 6 HHW, household hazardous waste, events and programs from
- 7 around the Sacramento region. I figure just about every
- 8 jurisdiction within commute area, I captured their
- 9 information whether it's a link to their web site, or if
- 10 they didn't have a link, got their data and put it on to
- 11 our web site for staff to be able to find out how to deal
- 12 with those batteries brought in from home.
- 13 CHAIRPERSON MEDINA: Okay. Thank you very much.
- 14 WASTE REDUCTION COORDINATOR HURST: Thank you.
- 15 CHAIRPERSON MEDINA: With that we'll move on to
- 16 the next presentation.
- 17 DEPUTY DIRECTOR JORDAN: Item J will be
- 18 presented by John Sitts.
- 19 ASSISTANT DIRECTOR SITTS: Good morning, Chair
- 20 Medina and Committee Members. My name's John Sitts. I'm
- 21 the Assistant Director of the Office of Organizational
- 22 Effectiveness. And our job today is giving you a quick
- 23 tour of that office.
- As you can see from the slide, basically our goal
- 25 is to help our organization and our staff unlock their

- 1 potential so we can accomplish more.
- 2 My mother used to say that when you explain
- 3 something, you should go over the basic questions -- who,
- 4 what, why, when, and where. So that's how we're going to
- 5 approach that.
- 6 Who, okay. We are one of the six support offices
- 7 here at the Board. And, as that, I report directly to our
- 8 Executive Director, Mark Leary.
- 9 ---00--
- 10 ASSISTANT DIRECTOR SITTS: We have, in addition
- 11 to me, a half-time office tech and then four staff who are
- 12 basically separated into two areas: One, which is
- 13 training and consulting services; and the other, which is
- 14 information services.
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- 16 ASSISTANT DIRECTOR SITTS: I would like to
- 17 introduce our staff. Even though we're a small office,
- 18 what we lack in size, we make up for in quality.
- 19 Susana Fong is our office tech. She's not here
- 20 because she's half time, and today is her day off.
- 21 Next to me is Michelle Martin with our training
- 22 and consulting services.
- 23 And Sheridan Merritt.
- Then Jill Jones.
- 25 And, finally, Darryl Petker.

1 And they're each going to do a little bit of this

- 2 a little later.
- 3 --000--
- 4 ASSISTANT DIRECTOR SITTS: Okay, when? Well, we
- 5 began operations in early 1998. And I was hired at the
- 6 beginning of 2001.
- 7 Okay. Well what do we do?
- 8 --000--
- 9 ASSISTANT DIRECTOR SITTS: Well, at a very high
- 10 level we have two areas, the two that I mentioned already,
- 11 training and consulting services, and information services
- 12 or management reporting systems. And then we also have
- 13 specialized assistance, which is kind of a catch-all that
- 14 includes a lot of cross-divisional projects that we end up
- 15 getting pulled into because if a project doesn't sit in
- 16 one division, it's kind of hard to know who should work on
- 17 it. So we get involved in those sometimes.
- 18 --000--
- 19 ASSISTANT DIRECTOR SITTS: Okay, Why? Well, our
- 20 Board and our executive staff have always been very
- 21 supportive of staff and have always demanded basically
- 22 that staff have what they need to be effective and
- 23 efficient. And in our strategic plan these activities are
- 24 really laid out under Goal 5.
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1 ASSISTANT DIRECTOR SITTS: Within Goal 5 the
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- 2 objectives basically all relate to our office -- in the
- 3 leadership development, exchange and access to
- 4 information, cross organizational communication, and staff
- 5 support like tools and training.
- 6 --000--
- 7 ASSISTANT DIRECTOR SITTS: The strategic plan
- 8 also contains values. And many of our efforts relate
- 9 directly to specific values. Under the training and
- 10 consulting services, supporting personnel and professional
- 11 growth, improving the quality of the services we provide,
- 12 evaluating the effectiveness of our programs, and in
- 13 considering the needs and the interests of our
- 14 stakeholders are all part of what we do.
- 15 Under information services, providing information
- 16 and tools that help people participate in our processes,
- 17 providing the best available information to decision
- 18 makers, and then using innovative E-government solutions
- 19 to share that information are all related to what we do.
- 20 --000--
- 21 ASSISTANT DIRECTOR SITTS: Now, on to the most
- 22 important part, the how. And for that I'm going to turn
- 23 it over first to Michelle Martin. And she'll tell you
- 24 about our training program.
- 25 MS. MARTIN: Good morning, Board Members. My

1 name's Michelle Martin with the Office of Organizational

- 2 Effectiveness.
- 3 --000--
- 4 MS. MARTIN: There are several training
- 5 categories within the training program. The first is a
- 6 staff development and technical part, which is more for
- 7 the soft skills like project in-time management and also
- 8 more specific to -- the technical part is more specific to
- 9 program.
- 10 The next category is computer training, which
- 11 IMB, Information Management Branch, is responsible for.
- 12 The administrative, EEO, part is responsible --
- 13 the Administration and Finance Division is responsible for
- 14 that part. And there are examples listed below that for
- 15 different types of courses that they administer.
- And the next part is the health and safety
- 17 category. And the Permitting & Enforcement Division is
- 18 responsible for administering that part.
- 19 The upward mobility and career development
- 20 program, our office is responsible for administrating that
- 21 program.
- 22 And the leadership development part, there is an
- 23 effort under way with the support of our office to develop
- 24 and formalize the leadership development systems for all
- 25 classifications, executives to rank-and-file. Currently

- 1 staff at all levels are encouraged to enroll on an
- 2 individual basis in leadership-related courses.
- 3 Also I wanted to mention that we work with
- 4 division interoffice liaisons to coordinate board staff
- 5 training. And we also share information and training
- 6 resources with other CalEPA boards, departments and
- 7 offices and also with other state agencies.
- 8 --000--
- 9 MS. MARTIN: This chart represents our training
- 10 budget program breakdown. And it shows a percentage of
- 11 funds distributed within the five training categories. As
- 12 you can see, staff development and technical are a little
- 13 more than 50 percent of the training budget.
- 14 --000--
- 15 MS. MARTIN: This next slide shows the overall
- 16 training budget. It represents the last two years and
- 17 also a projected amount for this fiscal year, which is
- 18 \$280,000. This amount is based on expenditures from last
- 19 year and also on our two additional training needs. The
- 20 first is a statistical analysis training by DPLA and also
- 21 a Board-wide computer-based training.
- 22 And you can see that additional amount on the
- 23 third bar graph.
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- 25 MS. MARTIN: And this slide represents typical

1 training costs for the training program and an average

- 2 cost of \$470 per person. And there's a listing of some
- 3 classes that are typical for some of our Board staff to
- 4 attend.
- 5 And at this time I will turn it over to Sheridan
- 6 Merritt.
- 7 MR. MERRITT: Good morning, Board Members.
- 8 Sheridan Merritt from the Office of Organizational
- 9 Effectiveness. I'm just going to take a moment to talk a
- 10 little more specifically about some of the training
- 11 courses and kind of -- and the training programs in
- 12 general of the Board.
- 13 --000--
- 14 MR. MERRITT: We have some information here from
- 15 the previous last two years, looking at both the total
- 16 number of classes that were attended by Board employees
- 17 and the total number of employees attending training
- 18 sessions.
- 19 We rely on a variety of vendors for providing
- 20 training. One of the largest ones is the state training
- 21 center. It's a very efficient use of our resources. They
- 22 have a large variety of courses available. And they have
- 23 worked with us very closely and also customizing some
- 24 courses.
- We also rely on the private vendors often times

1 with off-the-shelf classes that appear to meet the needs

- 2 that are requested by our employees or that are identified
- 3 by supervisors.
- 4 At the same time we'll also work individually
- 5 with training consultants to tailor courses specifically
- 6 to meet identified needs of -- training needs within the
- 7 Board.
- 8 Just to clarify, within our budget,
- 9 conferences -- attendance at conferences, registration at
- 10 conferences is not paid for out of the training budget.
- 11 This is strictly for skill development, technical
- 12 knowledge, improving the capacity of the employees' of the
- 13 Board.
- 14 --000--
- MR. MERRITT: One of the things that we've done
- 16 as an office to try to keep costs down in terms of the
- 17 training budget is to identify group classes, general
- 18 areas of training that have been identified either through
- 19 employees, through their individual development plan, or
- 20 by supervisors within a particular work group. Some of
- 21 the advantages of doing on-site group classes is we
- 22 actually save money, lower registration costs per
- 23 employee. There are -- we avoid any of the travel costs
- 24 involved in traveling to another area, paying per diems.
- 25 It's also convenient for staff. It gives them an

1 opportunity, if they need to, to return to their desk

- 2 during breaks or lunch time to check on E-mail.
- 3 And there's some real benefits to actually
- 4 learning within your own work group or your own team in
- 5 terms of carrying what you've learned in class back to the
- 6 work setting and to be able to support each other in the
- 7 use of this new knowledge and skills.
- 8 --000--
- 9 MR. MERRITT: Over the last few years -- this
- 10 represents just strictly the staff development in
- 11 technical training classes. We have 10 proposed for this
- 12 current year. These are customized classes, on-site, for
- 13 smaller groups. In addition to these classes, Catherine
- 14 Foreman and the health and safety area and also computer
- 15 brings in a number of professionalized group classes for
- 16 identified topics.
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- 18 MR. MERRITT: One program I just want to
- 19 highlight, although it's not a large amount of money.
- 20 It's something that we feel very positive about, and it's
- 21 the upward mobility and career development program here at
- 22 the Waste Board. Both of these programs -- excuse me --
- 23 the upper mobility program is really targeted toward entry
- 24 level staff who do not have either an A.A. or a Bachelor's
- 25 Degree. And it's a way to help them, support them in

1 pursuing their ongoing education, by reimbursing them for

- 2 some of the associate costs for fees, registration, books
- 3 fees.
- 4 The career development is designed for program
- 5 level staff who may already have a degree, but are seeking
- 6 advancement within the Board into maybe a higher position
- 7 or position of higher authority.
- 8 We recently increased the maximum reimbursement
- 9 amount per person per year from \$500 to \$1,000. So for
- 10 many programs it doesn't come close to covering the full
- 11 expense of cost -- or the full cost of the program. But
- 12 it's one way that the Board can really support staff to do
- 13 self improvement and continue advancing within the Waste
- 14 Board.
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- MR. MERRITT: And now I'm going to pass it over
- 17 to Jill Jones of our office just to talk a little bit
- 18 about the consulting services.
- 19 MS. JONES: Good morning, Board Members. My name
- 20 is Jill Jones with the Office of Organizational
- 21 Effectiveness.
- 22 And on this slide is another set of services that
- 23 are office provides and has for the last three or four
- 24 years. We call it performance consulting. And the
- 25 essence of that is that we are partnering with managers

- 1 throughout the Board to conduct program assessments and
- 2 provide other services to support the improvement of their
- 3 programs, specifically focused on increasing individual
- 4 and group performance.
- 5 So here we have several dimensions of our work,
- 6 the services that we provide, as you can see. And I'll
- 7 just briefly describe each.
- 8 With the program assessments most -- the majority
- 9 of the assessments have been on a Board-wide basis.
- 10 Issues that have had a Board-wide impact have been
- 11 examined and analyzed by our group, working with staff
- 12 involved in those areas. And just to mention a few, would
- 13 be a communications assessment we did, which you were all
- 14 involved in last year, assessing the successful -- how
- 15 information can be exchanged more effectively between the
- 16 Board member offices and the staff so that you all as
- 17 Board members could make more informed decisions and get
- 18 the information you need to do that.
- Most recently we are completing the grant
- 20 administration assessment, whereas we were looking at the
- 21 effectiveness of the grants the Board administers and
- 22 operationally how that could be improved. And that study
- 23 continues.
- And a couple years ago we actually assessed the
- 25 BAWDS system, which is the Board Agenda Web Document

1 System. And we're looking at what currently existed at

- 2 that time that supported staff in preparing and reviewing
- 3 and approving Board items, agenda items for presentation
- 4 to you all. And as I say, that was a couple years ago.
- 5 We also looked at the barriers that existed to
- 6 making that the most effective process. And some
- 7 things -- of course, with all of this, have been put in
- 8 place or plans are under way to address the issues
- 9 identified.
- 10 The next is the performance model development.
- 11 Again, we focus on how to increase the level of
- 12 performance of individuals and groups in various programs
- 13 throughout the Board.
- 14 And as an example, last year we created
- 15 performance models for the Permitting and Enforcement
- 16 Division, specifically for those involved in all
- 17 classifications that review and approve -- develop,
- 18 review, and approve full solid waste permits. And that
- 19 was helpful for Mark De Bie's group, the branch manager
- 20 who asked us to do that. He was able to identify as a new
- 21 manager what his staff should be doing. We talked to the
- 22 people that really did the -- an outstanding job in his
- 23 unit and created these models. And also to identify what
- 24 learning needs, the skills, knowledge, and abilities
- 25 needed to do that work. So if he had a new staff coming

1 in or staff not performing to the expected level, he knew

- 2 how to put a plan in place and what specifically to
- 3 address; as well as the work environment needs, which
- 4 systems, tools, and processes would be needed to support
- 5 his staff at being most successful in their review and
- 6 approval of the full solid waste permits.
- 7 The next one is a meeting, planning, and group
- 8 facilitation. Often times we receive requests to support
- 9 managers and the staff at all levels in planning for
- 10 meetings. And this is usually around some agenda
- 11 development. And also often times we'll be involved in
- 12 facilitating group sessions, which primarily could be a
- 13 conference or workshops. And most recently we assisted
- 14 with a conversion technology forum last year and then over
- 15 the summer the LEA/CIWMB Partnership 2000 Conference up in
- 16 Tahoe.
- 17 Next is recognition. About eight or nine years
- 18 ago the Board put in place a formal recognition system.
- 19 It's called a Kudos program. You may have seen it on our
- 20 Board net. But it is an internal peer-recognition system,
- 21 fairly informal, which allows individuals within the
- 22 organization to recognize one another for contributions to
- 23 the organization.
- 24 So that's there on the Board's Internet, and
- 25 that's how their recognition is kind of publicized.

1 Informally, just a special note for you all, is

- 2 that staff have shared with us during the course of the
- 3 assessments we've conducted that one of the most
- 4 meaningful forms of recognition for them is the formal
- 5 recognition they get from you all at Board meetings for a
- 6 job well done; and specifically, you know, sharing with
- 7 them what it is that you liked about what they did. They
- 8 really, really appreciate that feedback.
- 9 So thank you for that.
- 10 The next is the Communications Styles Workshop.
- 11 Sheridan actually conducts these workshops with teams and
- 12 work groups throughout the organization, kind of an
- 13 interactive workshop. I believe, Mr. Paparian, your
- 14 office has participated in that.
- 15 But the workshop offers an opportunity for
- 16 participants to really begin to understand their
- 17 individual differences as well as their similarities, and
- 18 how that impacts teamwork problem solving and
- 19 communication. And Sheridan did one yesterday for our
- 20 Waste Characterization and Analysis Branch, and that was
- 21 very successful and well received.
- 22 Good job, Sheridan.
- 23 The last there is the CalEPA organizational
- 24 improvement efforts. And this one is more CalEPA-wide.
- 25 In 1993 CalEPA was drafted through a legislative mandate

- 1 to implement a quality program throughout the agency and
- 2 its six boards, departments, and office. So with that, at
- 3 the Office of the Secretary level an overall person was
- 4 appointed to kind of manage these quality programs, Andrea
- 5 Lewis. And in each of the boards and departments and the
- 6 one office, OEHHA, a quality consultant was hired. And
- 7 that's when I started working here at the Board. So
- 8 that's how that happened.
- 9 We've kind of evolved over the years. And we
- 10 don't necessarily look at it as implementing quality
- 11 programs any more. And some of the legislation has also
- 12 changed. And now we're more focused on organizational
- 13 effectiveness, which brings me back to the whole concept
- 14 of performance consulting. So we've kind of moved toward
- 15 that and away from quality in its hardest defined state, I
- 16 guess.
- So what we've worked on over the past year are
- 18 coordinating the development of strategic plans and the
- 19 environmental indicator Epic project within CalEPA,
- 20 supporting Mr. Paparian with the development of the
- 21 environmental management system with meeting, planning and
- 22 facilitation, that kind of support.
- 23 Also, have had a role in the development of IDEA,
- 24 the Integrated Data Environmental Assessment, which is
- 25 focused on the development of data exchanges between

1 databases within the boards and departments and with our

- 2 external government entities that we do work with.
- 3 And then, lastly, we've been supporting Winston
- 4 Hickox's open staff and management forums that he started
- 5 this past year. So just helping him coordinate those
- 6 meetings and recruit speakers and take care of
- 7 communication and that type thing.
- 8 That concludes my comments. Now, Darryl Petker.
- 9 MR. PETKER: Good morning, Mr. Chairman,
- 10 Committee Members. My name is Darryl Petker.
- 11 As John alluded to earlier, our office is
- 12 multi-tasking. We do a lot of things. Part of one of
- 13 those tasks is the information services we provide.
- 14 I've broken that down into two areas, the
- 15 management reporting systems and some of the work we do on
- 16 different steering committees.
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- 18 MR. PETKER: Most of our systems are not just
- 19 Board-related but also work with other BDO's. So if I
- 20 could discuss some of those with you now.
- 21 The waste stream profile, which I'm sure most of
- 22 you have seen, is our biggest project. And it's currently
- 23 in its fourth year of operation and display to share
- 24 information from the CIWMB and other sources, with the
- 25 result of hoping to hit decisionmakers, partners,

- 1 customers, and citizens at large.
- 2 Currently we display information on
- 3 jurisdictions, tire facilities, materials, schools. And
- 4 soon we hope to be displaying information on active
- 5 permitted landfills, used oil, transfer and composting
- 6 facilities.
- 7 The second item, database quality and integration
- 8 is a cross-divisional effort to assist in the design and
- 9 maintenance of databases that contain current, accurate
- 10 and useful information.
- 11 Examples: We've assisted the GMS development and
- 12 are now coordinating the jurisdictional database
- 13 development to unify information related to local
- 14 governments. We're working with Pat Schiavo and DPLA on a
- 15 lot of this information.
- 16 The Information Security Officer. This position
- 17 is mandated by statute and it advises the Executive
- 18 Director on matters of information, data security, and
- 19 best practices in these areas. We're working closely with
- 20 the Chief Information Officer, Gary A-K, and other IWMB
- 21 staff on this one.
- 22 Environmental justice data identification. Our
- 23 office is working with Rubia Packard and the Policy Office
- 24 and CalEPA to find and share information on environmental
- 25 justice to assist in the decisionmaking process. A lot of

- 1 our information is gathered from outside and then
- 2 coordinated and stored within our database displayed in
- 3 different manners here.
- 4 The second part of this, the work we do on
- 5 steering committees.
- 6 The first one is the IDEA project. The IDEA
- 7 project is a CalEPA project that's headed by B. B.
- 8 Blevins; and is the Integrated Development and
- 9 Environmental Assessment, is the acronym IDEA for that.
- 10 We're working with all the BDO's in the design
- 11 and development of this project. It is designed with the
- 12 objective of cross-BDO collaboration on data sources and
- 13 information so that we can all share this.
- 14 The next project is the CalEPA cross-media
- 15 enforcement and data integration project. This is led by
- 16 Deborah Barnes from CalEPA. This is also a cross-BDO
- 17 effort, and it's to develop and share databases on
- 18 enforcement activities within CalEPA. This will allow one
- 19 organization, such as the Water Board, to have information
- 20 on enforcement activities as other BDO's such as us, the
- 21 Waste Board, or the Air Board, so that we can better
- 22 coordinate enforcement activities.
- 23 A third area that we're involved in is the
- 24 California Mapping Coordinating Committee. The acronym is
- 25 CMCC or CMC2î. That's a statewide effort working out of

- 1 the Governor's office with the Department of Water
- 2 Resources to efficiently develop and use, achieve graphic
- 3 information systems and data photographs to help
- 4 coordinate our activities there for environmental
- 5 strategies permitting and enforcement.
- And that's all I have there.
- 7 Okay. Go ahead and go to the next slide.
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- 9 ASSISTANT DIRECTOR SITTS: Again, just in the
- 10 catch-all of specialized assistance. I sit on the EMS
- 11 Steering Committee, which Board Member Paparian leads.
- 12 And Andrew Hurst is our conscience for that group. So
- 13 that's good.
- 14 We're also involved in the revised agenda item
- 15 template implementation, which executive staff and
- 16 advisors worked on to come up with a better agenda item
- 17 template. And we're going to be looking at implementing
- 18 that early next year.
- 19 We also did things like work on economic benefits
- 20 of diversion.
- 21 And then the last one is kind of an effort that
- 22 the office has just started. And Darryl can just give you
- 23 a quick intro to that.
- 24 MR. PETKER: All right. Thank you.
- 25 The Board has directed us to work with SWANA to

1 develop a training program for operators, Board staff, and

- 2 LEA's throughout the state on California specific issues.
- 3 We've implemented that and we've offered three courses on
- 4 that now. There's been approximately 15 Board staff
- 5 trained, about 10 LEA's, and about 150 operators have gone
- 6 through that.
- 7 The idea here is to make sure that the state --
- 8 all the operators around the state have the same knowledge
- 9 in operations of the most current information. We're
- 10 working on this with SWANA in all three California SWANA
- 11 chapters, the national organization, and the operators and
- 12 owners throughout the State.
- In addition to that, we're working with Sharon
- 14 Anderson and Mindy Fox from the P&E Division and
- 15 coordinating continuing education. And it's to maintain
- 16 the certifications that we're receiving. A result of this
- 17 also is the fact that there's a California-specific
- 18 certification that comes along with that to ensure that
- 19 the operators maintain the information they need for our
- 20 issues.
- 21 Thank you.
- 22 ASSISTANT DIRECTOR SITTS: And thank you for your
- 23 time. And if you have any questions, we'll be happy to
- 24 try and answer them.
- 25 CHAIRPERSON MEDINA: Thank you. I'm sure that we

- 1 do have some questions.
- 2 Board Member Patterson.
- 3 COMMITTEE MEMBER MOULTON-PATTERSON: I'd just
- 4 like to say thank you for a great presentation. I think a
- 5 lot of times people don't realize all the things that you
- 6 do do. And so this was just really important for me to
- 7 hear all the different things, and I'm sure for our other
- 8 members. Thank you.
- 9 I don't have any specific questions.
- 10 ASSISTANT DIRECTOR SITTS: Thank you. As a
- 11 service office, we don't get into the front limelight too
- 12 often. And we're okay with that, because we're here to
- 13 support the other divisions and other staff here at the
- 14 Board.
- 15 CHAIRPERSON MEDINA: Okay. Board Member
- 16 Paparian.
- 17 COMMITTEE MEMBER PAPARIAN: Yeah, thank you, Mr.
- 18 Chairman.
- 19 And I'd like to just echo the Chair
- 20 Moulton-Patterson's comments. I think this is a very
- 21 important office. Helps the overall functioning of the
- 22 Board.
- 23 And I know from my own personal experience, the
- 24 office has been extremely helpful. We did -- Sheridan
- 25 helped with the session with my office staff to see what

1 we could do to work more effectively together as on

- 2 office. It was a very successful effort.
- 3 Jill Jones and John Sitts have also been really
- 4 vital to the EMS effort that I've been working on through
- 5 CalEPA, as well as Rubia Packard's office has also been
- 6 very helpful in that effort as well.
- 7 The one question I have -- and I think Mark Leary
- 8 referred to it earlier -- the grants program evaluation.
- 9 I'm not characterizing the name of it -- the effort,
- 10 right? Because I understand the office has been working
- 11 on an evaluation of the grants program. I wonder if we
- 12 could get an update on where that's at.
- 13 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: As I kind of mentioned
- 14 briefly in introducing Doug Ralston's item on the grants
- 15 management system, and that evaluation continues. The
- 16 effort led by John and Jim and Sheridan that was
- 17 conducted -- oh, we're now going on -- probably initiated
- 18 over a year ago and concluded about five to six months ago
- 19 and the finalization of the report just fairly recently.
- 20 It was a snapshot in time effort, an evaluation of one
- 21 point in time. As Doug has touched on, he's advanced the
- 22 system considerably.
- 23 But some of the fundamental evaluations that are
- 24 concerns raised about our business practices remain
- 25 current and something that I've convened a subset of

1 executive staff to take a look at to improve our internal

- 2 business practices.
- 3 That's kind of in a nut shell -- I'm not ready to
- 4 come back to you and say we're going to do specifically
- 5 these things differently than we have done in the past or
- 6 recommend that you consider changes in Board policy at
- 7 this point. I think it's premature because we haven't
- 8 come to any of those kinds of conclusions yet. But at
- 9 some point in the not too distant future I hope to in
- 10 fact -- this subset exec staff that I've identified I hope
- 11 to ramp up a fairly ambitious effort to conclude maybe
- 12 possibly prior to the holidays, so that we get the changes
- 13 that we need to make done and on with the business of
- 14 doing grants better.
- 15 COMMITTEE MEMBER PAPARIAN: At some point,
- 16 whether it's more appropriate individually or in committee
- 17 session, I'm not sure, but I'm sure several of the members
- 18 would like to hear about, you know, what the results were
- 19 and what some of the changes are that are being planned.
- 20 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: I'd be happy to
- 21 provide that.
- 22 CHAIRPERSON MEDINA: Okay. I had a couple of
- 23 questions.
- When you create reports on organizational
- 25 efficiency, are those reports shared with the Board

- 1 members?
- 2 ASSISTANT DIRECTOR SITTS: Once we have finalized
- 3 reports, they're basically available for folks.
- 4 Specifically the grants one, as an example, has still been
- 5 in draft form. But some of the reports contain
- 6 information that while it is public information, we need
- 7 to -- when we do assessments we need to have everybody be
- 8 very open about what they're saying and what their
- 9 suggestions are. And so we try and capture those comments
- 10 accurately, but not to identify individuals. So, you
- 11 know, they are available so you can see the comments.
- Do you want to add something --
- 13 MS. JONES: Yeah. The work we do is on behalf of
- 14 our client, which is usually like Mark Leary sponsored the
- 15 grants assessment. Or when we did BAWDS, it was a Chief
- 16 Deputy Director. It's usually somebody at the executive
- 17 level that requests something. And we do the work on
- 18 their behalf, the assessment is done on their behalf. So
- 19 they actually own the report.
- 20 So when somebody asks me to share something, it's
- 21 not mine to share, so I just refer them to our client,
- 22 whoever it was. And it's that person's call. So it's
- 23 generally going to be somebody in program areas that's
- 24 going to make that available.
- Does that answer your question?

1 CHAIRPERSON MEDINA: Somewhat. It raises more

- 2 questions. But it Certainly gives me an idea on that one.
- 3 In regard to your training budget, how is the
- 4 budget divided or allocated? What are the priorities?
- 5 How are the priorities established on that training
- 6 budget? I don't know if you can go back to that, in the
- 7 breakdown that you had for the training budget, how those
- 8 costs were allocated.
- 9 ASSISTANT DIRECTOR SITTS: Yeah, I'll have to go
- 10 back to there --
- 11 MR. MERRITT: Sheridan Merritt again from the
- 12 Office of Organizational Effectiveness.
- 13 In the past we've basically allocated the money
- 14 based on the identified need. And there's a number of
- 15 steps to go through to identify that need. One of them is
- 16 individual employees each year complete an individual
- 17 development plan where they identify certain training that
- 18 they feel is appropriate for their positions.
- 19 Also there's a training liaison within each
- 20 division and office that identify group training needs,
- 21 primarily working closely with their managers and
- 22 supervisors in that division, and then identifying costs
- 23 associated with each of those different group training
- 24 needs.
- 25 The computer training and administrative and

1 mandated health and safety trainings, those projections

- 2 are actually provided by personnel with each of those
- 3 divisions based partly on past experience, what training
- 4 was provided, and also on projections based on, you know,
- 5 upcoming training needs identified.
- 6 CHAIRPERSON MEDINA: So when you start out at the
- 7 beginning of the year with 100 percent of your budget, do
- 8 you have an idea that this is how the budget breakdown
- 9 will be, so you can set certain priorities in these areas
- 10 as to how much you're going to spend?
- MR. MERRITT: Yes, that's correct. We allocate
- 12 money to each of these areas based partly on our past
- 13 experience and then also on new identified training needs
- 14 within each of those areas. And then try as much as
- 15 possible to stick within those categories.
- 16 CHAIRPERSON MEDINA: In regard to your upper
- 17 mobility program, how many people are currently in the
- 18 program?
- 19 MR. MERRITT: We actually have just completed the
- 20 request for application for this year and are in the
- 21 process of reviewing those. This year we so far -- and
- 22 we've changed this a little bit because we think it is
- 23 such an important program. We used to actually have a
- 24 close-out date where we weren't accepting applications
- 25 anymore. But we've actually -- we try to get everybody in

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1 early. And then if needs arise throughout the year, we
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- 2 kind of take those as a case-by-case basis and still try
- 3 to accept those if there are funds available.
- 4 CHAIRPERSON MEDINA: Currently is this open to
- 5 everyone and you put out a notice to all of the employees
- 6 in the Waste Board that this is available?
- 7 MR. MERRITT: Yes. Each year we send out an
- 8 announcement via E-mail. There's also information on our
- 9 web site about eligibility, what types of costs are
- 10 eligible for reimbursement. And then we work with the
- 11 training liaison in each division to notify their staff
- 12 and keep people informed of it.
- 13 For this year, in terms of application, we've had
- 14 five people apply to the upper mobility program and four
- 15 people apply to the peer-related program. And we're in
- 16 the process of reviewing those right now. In the past --
- 17 CHAIRPERSON MEDINA: Do you work with the OEO
- 18 Office to ensure diversity in this particular program?
- MR. MERRITT: Yes, we do. In fact, each
- 20 application is reviewed by a committee. And Catherine
- 21 Foreman is a member of the Committee as well as John Sitts
- 22 and myself. So she's very involved in this program.
- 23 ASSISTANT DIRECTOR SITTS: And it's nice to be
- 24 able to have this opportunity to come and talk about this,
- 25 because I hope people are listening both in the audience

1 and on their computers and become more aware. We do send

- 2 out the notice. But we want to encourage people to apply
- 3 for this program.
- 4 CHAIRPERSON MEDINA: And your Leadership Program,
- 5 is that open to all employees? Or how do people know
- 6 about the Leadership Program? How do people get involved?
- 7 What does it consist of?
- 8 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: Well, I think it's
- 9 probably appropriate to point out that we're really
- 10 getting that going again. It's a program that has kind of
- 11 diminished, participation diminished in emphasis. And as
- 12 a result of especially you, Mr. Medina, and other Board
- 13 members expressing a strong interest and making sure that
- 14 we have a strong Leadership Development Program. I've
- 15 worked with this office and the whole executive staff to
- 16 ramp that thing back up. And so we're defining its
- 17 principal components and finding who we want to outreach
- 18 to and getting that going once again.
- 19 ASSISTANT DIRECTOR SITTS: And currently
- 20 leadership development skills that are needed have been
- 21 identified through the individual development plans as
- 22 supervisors work with their staff, and then they can take
- 23 those classes like Lead Person Workshop or Project
- 24 Management or those type of things.
- 25 CHAIRPERSON MEDINA: Okay. Thank you for a very

1	informative presentation and doing a lot of good work.
2	Really appreciated.
3	ASSISTANT DIRECTOR SITTS: Thank you very much.
4	CHAIRPERSON MEDINA: And are there any speakers
5	from the public? Any public comment.
6	If not, this meeting will stand adjourned.
7	(Thereuopn the California Integrated Waste
8	Management Board, Budget and Administration
9	Committee adjourned at 11:30 a.m.)
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